Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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"Cleave."

Dear Luke—You had a clever little rime in your column the other day about the wife who sniffed her husband's breath and said, "You said you'd cleave to me, and I find that you have clove. Very funny. But you had better look it to your dictionary and see what the word "cleave" means. You seem to imagine that it means "oling."—A Clinc Stone.

Very well, Cline Stone. We looked into the dictionary, and we find this in the Standard Dictionary: "Cleave, to stick fast, to adhere."

Better spend a little time with your own dictionary, hadn't you?

He Was Sorps.

Said a Turk to a [illegible]
"I do not care to [illegible]
It isn't [illegible]
To carry a [illegible]
[illegible]

Huh!

"That boy of mine is only ten years old, and he can write poetry," bragged Mr. Gabb.

"Oh, well, I wouldn't feel bad y about it if I were you" sympathized Mr. Nayber. "Maybe he will outgrow it."

Bang!

The people in Europe
This anthem can yell,
"'Tis the land of the shot
And the home of the shell!!"

Ouch!

"Is your wife a clubwoman?" asked the old fogy.

"No," replied the grouch. "She doesn't belong to a single society for the suppression of anything."

The Gloomy Life.

A sad, sad man is Mr. Boggs.
He has no fun, that's true.
Because he only does the things
He can afford to do.

Something Wrong.

"Here is the umbrella I borrowed from you last week," said Jones as he entered Smith's office.

"What is the matter with it?" asked Smith.

Oh, Very Well!

To Luke McLuke:
Save all your praise
For Jackson Ogg.
Who seeks to raise
A barkless dog.
—Mount Vernon (Ky.) Signal.

Not Knocking Mr. Campbell Any.

Mr. Ward C. Campbell added to the evening's entertainment with a vocal solo, which was highly appreciated, after which all entered into a more pleasant and social time for the remainder of the evening.—Bucklin (Mo.) Herald.

Registering a Kick.

Oh, Luke McLuke, you mean old bloke,
A few days ago I sent you a joke,
But at my joke no one will grin,
My joke did not get a Luke in.
—R S T.

Punctuality Is Next to Godliness.

Dear Luke—Here is a sign on the Primitive Baptist church at Youngs Creek, Ind.:

Elder W. C. Hancock,
Pastor.
Special Attention Given to Watch and Clock Work.
—Dicke.

Roman, Salute Your Speerious Officer!

Dear Luke—How does Roman Solger get the job as sergeant-at-arms when he is but a private? I nominate Lew Tenant, the Cincinnati tobacco man.—Piggy Gill.

Names Is Names.

Carrie Aikan lives at Crestwood, Ky.

Things to Worry About.

The people of the United States use an average of fifteen matches each day.

Our Daily Special.

When you borrow trouble there's the devil to pay.

Luke McLuke Says:

Women haven't any sense of humor. If they had they would laugh and they wouldn't get mad when friend husband comes in stewed and tears the wall paper up scratching his latchkey on the wall so he can light the gas.

Mother will spend the entire afternoon fixing up a nice dinner for father, and she will sit down and wait for him. And father will drop into his pet foam foundry on his way home and will meet up with about six other members of the Let's Have Another club. And between drinks father will patronize the free lunch counter and consume a collection of assorted cheese, onions, tripe, hash and beans. And when father does get home he has a grouch and no appetite, and mother gets mad because the dinner goes to waste. And father will slam the door and go out and indignate because mother hasn't a good disposition like other women.

Never judge a painted face or a cold storage egg by outward appearances.

Some women buy so much junk on the installment plan that every time they hear the doorbell ring they get ready to say, "I'll pay you next week," before they open the door.

One of the best ways to be popular with a busy man is to keep away from him.

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Might's Book Store

MOVING PICTURES OF FIRST AID WORK SHOWN

Unusual Feature Provided for Teachers of Several Districts in Institute at Ellsworth—Addresses Made by Visitors.

Nearly all the teachers of Somerset township, Cokeburg, Ellsworth and Bentleyville were in attendance at the district institute held at Ellsworth Saturday. The sessions lasted from 10 until 4 o'clock. From 12 until 2 o'clock was a social period during which lunch was served by the members of the domestic science class of the Ellsworth school.

Interest features were the showing in moving pictures of the first aid demonstration held at Ellsworth during the past fall and a report on the night school work for miners and adults in Ellsworth and Cokeburg, which is in charge of Mr. Cooper, a Yale graduate. Mr. Cooper made the report.

Topics pertaining to school work were discussed and all were limited to five minutes. The plan proved so successful that it will be adopted and prevail at the next meeting which is to be held at Bentleyville.

Among the guests present who discussed subjects were Superintendent L. R. Crumrine, Assistant Superintendents E. F. Westlake and H. S. Kuder and Miss Anna B. Thomas and Frank Fields of the California Normal school.

An especially pleasing musical program was given. Vocal and guitar numbers were furnished by the Hamilton Brothers. Miss Olive Painter sang several solos and other numbers were given by a mixed quartet.

Whoops!

"I played a horse named Street Car at The races," said Mr. Howding.
"He won the race, all right, but was Disqualified for crowding."

The Wise Fool.

"A little knowledge is a dangerous thing," observed the sage.

"It is if you haven't sense enough to keep it to yourself," agreed the fool.

Ouch!

He [illegible] story,
Does [illegible]
It's [illegible]
From [illegible]

TRY A CLASSIFIED AD

FOREIGNER SEIZES THE POCKETBOOK OF WOMAN

Mrs. Van Hillman of Monongahela Loses $30 While Returning From Shopping Journey.

While returning home from a shopping expedition late Saturday night, Mrs. Van Hillman of Railroad street, Monongahela was relieved of her pocketbook containing $30, the relieving being done by a burly foreigner whom Mrs. Hillman is sure she could recognize but who has not yet been apprehended.

Mrs. Hillman's way home lay through Woods alley. While she was going through the alley, the foreigner rushed out from the darkness of a building and snatched the hand-bag from her grasp. He then put his faith in flight and has not been heard of since. Mrs. Hillman could not see his face clearly but feels she could point out the right man.

MONONGAHELA MAN HELD ON THEFT CHARGE; GOES TO JAIL

Harrison Wickerham, better known at Monongahela as "Wickie Boyd" was Saturday night held for court by Aldeman R. L. Elwood on a charge of burglary preferred by Harold Greenway. In default of bail in the amount of $300, Wickerham was committed to the county jail and will be taken to Washington to await the February term of court.

The groery store of which Mr. Greenway is proprietor was entered Thursday night and a quantity of groceries and tobacco taken. Saturday afternoon wickerham was arrested near the driving park and taken before Alderman Elwood. Greenway stated that goods valued at about $80 had been taken from the store but Wickerham, while freely admitting his guilt, said he thought the articles he had taken were not worth more than $10.

One of our best boy's suits free, if one of the first three prizes in the great Erector contest comes from an outfit sold by this store. Berryman's. 155t6

TRY A CLASSIFIED AD

WILL PREPARE MAPS OF COUNTY ROAD DRAG WORK

CommitteeFrom County Making Arrangements for Perfection of Improved System.

At a meeting of the drag committee appointed by the Good Roads association, its membership was extended so as to include Dr. W. D. Martin of Morris township, chairman of the committee; Dr. W. L. Dodd and William Courson of Amwell; J. C. Carter of East Finley; Wilson Danley of West Finley; Ross Mowl of West Bethlehem; James W. Emery, of Somerset; J. V. Stevenson, of Smith and U. G. McIlvaine of Bentleyville; Elmer McDonald of Venetia ond B. F. Mevey, of Washington, secretary of the committee.

It is the purpose of the committee through the efforts of its members and the cooperation of the township supervisors and the rural carriers, to learn about every road in the county upon which a split-log or steel drag is used. The committee then proposes to have these roads marked on maps of the county and have these maps posted in public places.

United States government maps will be placed in the hands of the rural carriers so they can indicate on such maps the roads that are being dragged and forward same to the secretary of the committee. From the information so obtained the county maps posted by the committee will be marked so as to show the extent of the work being done with the drags.

So far as is known Nottingham, West Bethlehem, Somerset, Amwell and Morris townships lead in the work of road dragging, though some work of this kind has been done in Buffalo, North and South Franklin, Cecil, Robinson and other townships.

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155t6

Notice.

My wife Eva Ducoeur having left my bed and board voluntarily notice is hereby given that I will not be responsible for any debts which she may contract in my name or for her own benefit.

Joseph Decoeur,
Charleroi, Pa.
159-t1p

Saws Reset.

"There's one thing that's certain,"
Says old Mr. Peck;
"A boil on the stove is
Worth two on the neck."
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

And here is one spieled
By old Uncle Jack:
"A 'crick' in the field
Is worth two in the back."
—Youngstown Telegram.

The Wise Fool.

"A man should always try to keep ahead of the game," observed the sage.

"You never went hunting, did you?" asked the fool.

Wuff!

The barber had a little dog.
He called the doggy Noodle.
When asked its pedigree he said,
"Oh, it's just a shampoodle."

Our Rulers.

"And do you elect all of your rulers by ballot?" asked the foreigner.

"Not all of them," replied the American. "Our wives are wished on us."

Them Good Old Days.

In days of old, when knights were bold,
They wore tin suits that tickled,
And it could rain with might and main,
But those suits never wrinkled.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, are there any self made men?

Paw—Well, there's Dr. Mary Walker, my son.

Just Like That!

A regular cutup was young Willie Tidd.
He waved at a strange girl and said, "Oh, you kid!"
The girl looked him over and, cool as you please,
Said, "When did your family get out of the trees?"

B-r-r-r-r-r!

Dear Luke—Make a place by the hot stove in the club for Icy Coldiron of Frozen creek, Breathitt county, Ky.—A. C. Barrow, Mount Sterling, Ky.

Ready.

Time was when he would sit and cuss
Words would not come to Blighter,
But he bought carmine ink and thus
Became a reddy writer

Well, Well!

Dear Luke—You seem amazed that blackberries are red when they are green. But did you ever see a black cow eating green grass and giving white milk which makes yellow butter?—H.

How Many Has She?

Dear Luke—Miss Lohr Chinn lives at Parkersburg, W. Va.

Things to Worry About.

In one year a horse eats nine times its own weight.

Names Is Names.

Ann X. Spence is a young lady in Martins Ferry, O.

Fact.

If you think men meet with success
Your dope is wrong, son. Shake it.
Success won't call at your address;
You have to overtake it.

How Is It by You?

You are a patriotic American, we all know. And with some 999 other patriotic Americans you attend a meeting. The meeting is opened, and everybody rises and sings "The Star Spangled Banner." Everybody knows the first line, but the rest of the song goes like this, as far as you can recall it:

Oh, say, can you see by the dawn's early light,
Where ti ti tum toe tum de da dum de da dee dee!
Oh, la la la lum, de da dum oh dade,
Tee ti ta toe tum de la lum dum di dum dee.

And so on until the song ends.

And then the meeting closes with "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." And you rise and join in the singing in this fashion:

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing.
Land where la la la la,
Land de dum tra la la,
Oh, ti tum de la dum de da,
Dee dum ti tee

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, what happens when a train telescopes?

Paw—The passengers see stars, my son.

Our Daily Special.

If the man will make the opportunity the opportunity will make the man.

Luke McLuke Says:

What has become of the old fashioned boy who could manufacture a baseball out of an old overshoe and one of his mother's yarn stockings?

If the fool killer ever went to the theater he would be kept busy chasing the fellows who keep time on the backs of the chairs in front of them.

Being married doesn't come any easier for a woman than it does for a man. About the time friend husband is beginning to comb his hair with a towel friend wife has just enough hair left to do up into a knot about the size of an egg.

If a man had to work as hard at anything else as he has to keep his pipe in good running order he would get mad and quit the job.

Some men wouldn't mind being married if it wasn't for the fact that they are expected to go home every night.

If fresh air was sold by the cubic foot there are a lot of men in this country who wouldn't have to spend more than a dime a year for the amount they use.

After a town grows big enough to be incorporated as a city the first change made is to call the pest house the isolation hospital.

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Fact.

The [illegible] collector is a geek
Who never has been [illegible],
You'll find him round most every week
Unless you keep him squared.

Huh!

"You never hear of a pedestrian being killed by an aeroplane," mused the boob.

"Well, what about it?" said the wise guy.

"Nothing," answered the boob. "Only you have to admit that the aeroplane runs over more people than the automobile."

Correct.

"Dame fortune in strange ways proceeds
To favor man," said Mr. Raz.
"One has more money than he needs,
One needs more money than he has."

The Family.

"I see that the Smiths have been divorced," remarked Brown.

"That so?" asked Jones. "Did they have any family?"

"Yes," replied Brown. "She gets the custody of the poodle, and he gets the custody of the motorcar."

Sad.

He ate a raw onion,
And now he's alone;
His friends and companions
Have hastened and gone.

The Doc Must Be Peeved.

$50 REWARD.

Between Sept. 30 and Oct. 2 a party entered my buggy shed and stole a set of harness that had been used very little. The above reward I will pay for the capture of the said party, delivered to me at some lonely place near Salt River railroad bridge.

DR. W. H. HENDRIX.

P. S.—Please bring a rope.—New London Record.

Hughes.

If now you will kindly excughes
Us for telling you all this sad nughes,
"We'll just say goodby,
And let others try
To write something more about Hughes
—Fryzen Stughes.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, is echo masculine or feminine?

Paw—Feminine, my son. Echo always has the last word.

Maw—Willie, you go upstairs and do your lessons.

Happy Eden.

Olden Eden's garden was a place
Where man could rest contented;
No phonographs squealed all night long—
They hadn't been invented.
—Cincinnati Enquifer.

Old Eden's garden was a place
Where man could rest contented;
No flivvers dashed round all day long—
They hadn't been invented.
—Bettie H. McDonald.

Roll Him In.

Dear Luke—If we guarantee that he is not a flivver, can Fleet Carr of Bellefontaine, O., get into the club garage?—P. W. Carter.

Wuff!

A woman was kicked on the chin by a mule, causing her to bite off the end of her tongue, and her husband several times since refused an offer of $1,000 for the mule.—Rushville (Ky.) News-Democrat.

Another Short One.

Chapter I.—Ride.
Chapter II.—Slide.
Chapter III.—Died.—A. R. Mohn.

Names Is Names.

C. A. Coldicott lives at Portsmouth, O.

Our Daily Special.

An egotist is an I specialist.

Luke McLuke Says:

The high cost of living didn't worry people much in the old days when the thimble was regarded as part of a woman's jewelry.

It must worry a reformer to have to let other people out of his sight overnight.

Give an old fashioned housekeeper her choice between an earthquake and a rainy washday, and she will take the earthquake any old time.

If there is one man that the devil hates more than another it is the fellow who minds his own business and tries to earn an honest living for his family.

Give a woman all the feathers she wants in this world, and she will take a chance on getting wings in the next world.

There was a time when a wife put in all of her time trying to retain her husband's affection. But nowadays she puts in most of her time keeping him busy trying to retain her affection.

Keep your mouth shut when the other fellow is telling all he knows and you can get up and go away with the consolation that he can't tell all you know.

If marriage doesn't make a man wise there is no hope for him.

Ever notice that when you get up and give your street car seat to a girl who is escorted by her fellow she always manages to squeeze around and make room enough for her fellow to sit down beside her while you do a strap hanging act?

What has become of the old fashioned mannerly boy who took off his cap when he spoke to a man?

GRANDEUR OF THE OLD OCEAN

Young Woman From Wisconsin on First Visit to Seaside Is Strongly Reminded of Oysters.

Victor Herbert tells of a young woman from Wisconsin who came to visit relatives in an eastern city not far from Newport.

The young woman had never seen the sea, and, of course, was very anxious to do so. The relatives took her to Newport, and as they stood on the white sand of Bailey's beach gazing dreamily out over the vast blue expanse of the Atlantic one of the party said to the visitor.

"'So, Jennie, this is the first time you've ever seen the sea?'

"'Yes,' replied the young Westerner, 'it is the very first time.'

"'And,' queried the other, 'what do you think of it?'

"'Ah,' she replied, with a long, indrawn breath and an ecstatic smile, 'it smells just like oysters!'"—Green Book Magazine.

Southern Biscuits.

Sift together two cupfuls of flour, half a teaspoonful of salt, and a heaping teaspoonful of baking powder. Then rub in a tablespoonful of lard. When the flour looks like meal, stir into it the white of one egg beaten to a stiff froth, and mix with a cupful of milk. Beat with a spoon, then turn out on a floured board and knead very lightly. Roll out about one-fourth of an inch thick, brush with melted butter and fold. Press together lightly, but do not roll again. Cut in small rounds and bake in a very quick oven.

Codfish and Cheese.

Soak a pound of codfish six hours in tepid water, then let it come to a boil. When cold, pick into flakes with a fork and season with pepper. Heat a cupful of milk to a boil, stir into it a teaspoonful of butter rolled in two of prepared flour. Mix with the picked fish and pour into a baking dish. Strew grated cheese thickly on top and bake in a quick oven to a delicate brown. It is yet nicer if you add a raw egg before cooking it. Something real new.

Reluctant Luck.

Luck is an uncertain performer. It doesn't always feel like responding to an encore.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Things to Worry About.

The pulse of a kangaroo is only half as fast as that of a man.

Sawed-Off Sermon.

But a lot of people who are outward ly handsome are mentally deformed.

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Most people will agree that the other fellow is the man with peculiar ideas.

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You an't take something from nothing. Which brings up the problem of how some people manage to do any Christmas shopping still paying for what they get.

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Why should not hose sell by the yard. They are nearly all over two feet.

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What is An Editor?

"There is a common impression abroad that editors and sub-editors are enoromously salaried individuals who go about with splitting headaches putting the paper to press and lighting one cigarette from the end of another. Occasionally they pause to sniff the air for a latent scoop or else they dash down to Washington to lunch with the President."

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"Elevation in A Flat"—musical title. Probably the more suitable every day way of putting it would be "Elevation to a flat."

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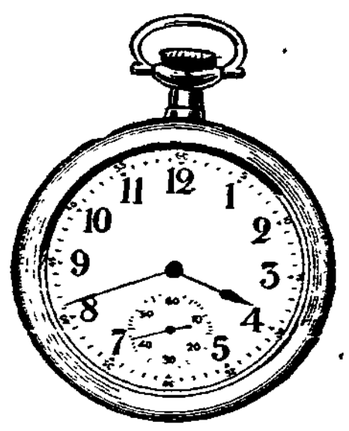

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Embroidered Pillow Cases	25c to 45c
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Oxford Testaments	19c to 50c
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Chest.

The sailor's a contortionist
One of the very best
For I've seen him [illegible]
And [illegible]

Corn-Coob.

Miss Margaret Corn was married to Stanley Holland Cobb Monday at the home of the bride's parents. When Cobb went to the clerk's office for the license he was refused. The clerk thinking it was a joke. Cobb finally convinced the clerk that it was a genuine Corn Cobb marriage, and he shelled out $1.75 for the license.—El Paso (Tex.) Cor. Temple (Tex.) Telegram.

Walk.

The [illegible] isn't a plodder who
Gets [illegible] he'd reach
He has a walk in life, that's true,
But it is very slow.

Heller.

"Why do you refer to the hypocrite as the human Swiss cheese?" asked the old fogy.

"Because he always has an 'I am holier than thou' expression," replied the grouch.

Ode to a Calf.

Dear [illegible] I'm unto thee
I now [illegible] ballad:
Cheer up! For some day you will be
The chicken in a chicken salad.

The Wise Fool.

"Misfortune comes in pairs," quoted the sage.

"Yes," agreed the fool, "if the other fellow holds three of a kind."

Wuff!

This has no business in our quips,
We'll class it with our ravings:
A carpenter's known by his chips,
A barber by his shavings.

Poor Old Paw.

Willie—Paw, can I ask you a question?

Paw—Yes, my son. What is it?

Willie—Why, could you say that electric signs are light reading matter?

Artists All.

"The dentist is an artist," said
The funny Mr. Heath.
"The pencil doesn't earn him bread,
But I've seen him draw teeth."
—Luke McLuke.

"The merchant is an artist, too,"
Said witty Mr. Wade;
"His line of ads. is always true
So he can draw your trade."
—Sharon (Pa.) Herald.

Pleased to Meat Them.

Dear Luke. George F. Steer is superintendent and Fred Tongue is manager of the Armstrong Beef Packing company of Dallas, Tex.—E. E.

Ouch!

Dear Luke—When the professor had concluded his lecture to his class of dental students, one student asked this question:

"What relation does the obliquitarsoispalpebraum bear to the inferior maxillary sinus during the mastication of spring chicken?"—J. A. Throckmorton, Sidney, O.

But Are They Near the Crematory?

Luke would inform some seventy-five correspondents that he entered the firm of Geter & Baker, the Jacksonville (Fla.) undertakers, in the club several months ago.

Names Is Names.

Nast T. Mann lives at Dennison, O.

Things to Worry About.

The world receives an average of 186 earthquake shocks every year.

Our Daily Special.

Much feeding maketh a full man.

Luke McLuke Says:

When a woman has seven or eight children she is always taking something old and making it over into something new.

You can give a girl all the higher education you please, but her husband's excuses will never sound as logical to her as they do to him.

When father gets home after midnight and tries to get through the house in the dark so as not to wake mother he wonders what ever possessed mother to purchase sixty-nine new rocking chairs and forty-one new tables since he left the house the morning before.

There are a whole lot of church members who know that a nickel makes more noise than a dollar bill when it is dropped into the collection plate.

There are plenty of promising young men who never pay.

Religion is a great force for good. But so is the fear of being found out.

Before he gets her he says that she doesn't eat any more than a bird. And after he gets her he realizes that an ostrich is a bird.

It is a mighty dumb mule that can't learn something about kicking from the average man.

When she is sixteen nothing less than a prince and a golden palace will suit her. But when she is twenty-six a common ordinary provider and a house with plenty of closets look mighty good to her.

The average business man can tell you that a course in stenography includes almost everything except spelling.

SYLVIA'S TWO LETTERS

By DONALD ALLEN.

From the depths of a broken heart Sylvia wrote to her dearest friend.

"I must tell you, first of all, Madge, that I have parted from Robert—forever! I cannot be true to myself and marry a man who believes me false. I would rather go unloved to the grave than be the slave of a jealous man. And although I confess that I can never love again—that I shall always love him—I shall not marry Robert Lorson. I am sending back his ring tonight. You need not finish your pink chiffon. I shall not need any bridesmaids—ever. Do come to visit me and cheer your broken-hearted Sylvia."

Sylvia wiped her eyes and wrote another letter—a very short one:

"Dear Mr. Lorson—You understand why I am returning your ring.

"Yours sincerely,
"SYLVIA MOORE."

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Madge Fenton read her letter with wide-open eyes.

Robert Lorson read his with slowly whitening face. With compressed lips he laid it down and stared at it for a long time.

The box containing the engagement ring he tossed into a drawer of his desk.

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"Sylvia," said her married sister one day, "what has become of Bob?"

"Really," said Sylvia indifferently, "I haven't the slightest idea."

Mrs. Jameson stared at her. "What has happened? You have quarreled?" she asked quickly.

"We are no longer engaged," explained Sylvia. "You see, Lisa, Bob is terribly jealous—he was frightfully angry because I talked so much to that delightful Mr. Enright, the novelist. He was actually rude to me."

"You were flirting," accused Lisa, bluntly.

"Not at all," flared Sylvia, hotly.

"Then you really meant all you looked at Mr. Enright?" asked the older woman slowly.

"Well—" Sylvia's voice broke. "Every one was talking, and I'm not a bit surprised that Bob was angry. But as long as you don't care—if the broken engagement is a welcome relief to you, dearie, I am glad for your sake." Lisa bent and kissed her sister and walked toward the door. "By the way, dear, I had a glimpse of Bob this afternoon—he was having tea at Berry's—with Madge Fenton." She vanished.

"Madge Fenton!" Sylvia's voice wavered into a little sob. She was her dearest friend, and Sylvia knew that if there was one other girl in the world who fancied Bob Lorson it was Madge Fenton. And now Madge, taking advantage of Sylvia's confidence, was making herself agreeable to Bob.

A few days later, while scanning the morning paper, Sylvia read a marriage notice—Robert Lorson and Madge Fenton had been married quietly the day before and were sailing at once for a voyage around the world.

Sylvia, with face aflame and a heart of ice, laughed at her own reflection in the mirror.

"Liar! Coward! Cheat!" she taunted herself.

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Robert Lorson came back to America alone. His bride was resting in an unknown grave in some Alpine crevasse.

Long months afterward Sylvia met him riding in the park. The scene of their meeting was a sheltered bridlepath. Both drew rein.

Then Robert poured out his heart to her and asked her to marry him. He had never ceased to love her, he confessed. He did not attempt to excuse his hasty marriage to Madge Fenton; that explained itself.

"You will not want to marry me when I tell you all, Robert," said Sylvia gravely. Then she told him about the two letters she had sent.

"Of course I realized that you had made a mistake," he said eagerly. "As soon as I read the opening line and saw it was intended for Madge I refolded it and sent it to her. I'll admit I was tempted to read all of it."

"And Madge exchanged letters with you?" asked Sylvia in a muffled tone.

He nodded. "She asked me to meet her at Berry's. We had tea together and exchanged letters."

"And so you didn't read the letter I wrote to Madge?"

"Certainly not—how could I?"

"I want to tell you what I wrote to her," went on Sylvia in a strained voice, and because the letter was written in fire on her memory she repeated it word for word.

"If I had read it all, darling, I would have come to you at once," he said tenderly. "I thought you didn't care."

"I am not worthy of you," she said brokenly. "I—mixed up those letters intentionally. I sent Sylvia's to you because I was too proud to confess myself in the wrong, but I wanted you to know that I loved you in spite of all. I did not appreciate that you had a higher code of honor—that you would not read what was not intended for you. I have been punished for my weakness, Bob—and I do not blame you if you despair me," she sobbed.

His arms were about her.

"I want you more than ever, Sylvia," he said.

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The undersigned having been appointed Administratrix of the above named estate, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims against same are requested to present same to

Elizabeth M. Matthews,
Charleroi, Pa. Administratrix.
N15-22-29D6-13-20

Estate of Dr. N. W. Patton, late of The Borough of Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Administratrix' Notice.

Letters of administration in the above entitled estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make prompt payment and those having claims to present the same without delay to

Anna E. Patton, Adm.,
Charleroi, Pa.
David M. McCloskey, Atty.
N-16-23-30-D-7-14-21

Stockholders Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank will be held at its Banking House, Charleroi, Pa., Tuesday, January 11, 1916 at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business which might properly come before them.

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PENSIONS FOR PREACHERS.

When Rev. William Sunday once said that something is wrong when the prize fighter in fifteen minutes can earn more than a country parson in fifteen years. Mr. Sunday was not exactly classifying himself with or likening his experiences to the so-called country preacher, but he was hitting the nail on the head as regards the remuneration of the average minister, according to the New Castle Herald, and at the same time enlisting himself with the by many praised plan of pensioning the aged and broken down ministers of the gospel.

The movement to pension retired ministers having no means of a livelihood is commendable, not only because it has as its primary purpose the caring for men who may have given their lives to such a noble sacrifice, but because it will have the tendency to attract more young men to the ministry as well.

Is it any wonder that the college graduate hesitates at taking up the ministry as his life vocation when the average salary of a Protestant minister, according to an authority is considerably less then $1,000? Then out of his salary the minister is expected to give liberally to missions and charity. From what he has left, it would be impossible for a minister to lay away anything for old age unless his family was made to go without necessaries of life.

The ministerial pensioning movement already has been inaugurated in some conferences and religious conventions, and steps have been taken toward creating a fund for the veteran pastors. The plan will no doubt grow in many Protestant denominations, and rightly so in this age of pensioning railroad men, industrial workers and toilers in other lines in which salaries are so much more attractive.

MANY DEER KILLED ON STATE PRESERVES BY 18,000 HUNTERS

Between 18,000 and 20,000 persons hunted over state forests during the season which closed last Wednesday according to a statement issued by the Department of Forestry. The state has a domain of 1,009,000 acres.

From reports of foresters 783 deer and 75 bear were killed on state land this year, and these figures may increase as complete reports are received. The total kill of deer in the state will run between 1,800 and 2,000 it is estimated. Last year 1,102 were killed. In addition to the hunters the State Forestry Department estimates that there were 5,000 campers on State lands during the year and about 65,000 persons used the forest for outings of a day or so. Three hundred permanent camp or cottage sites have been leased to about 2,000 persons.

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OIL STRUCK IN PAYING QUANTITIES IN COUNTY

A showing of oil was secured at the well being drilled on the Morgan Jones farm in East Finley township Saturday when the Gordon stray was penetrated to a depth of about eight feet. Indications are that it will be a 10 to 15 barrel producer. It is being drilled by the Howard Oil & Gas company.

The well was closed down Saturday but tomorrow work will be resumed and it is expected it will be finished during the day. It is located near the W L McCleary farm on which there are several producers.

Considerable excitement was caused by inflated reports of the strike that were soon in circulation. Some of these said the well flowed soon after the bit sunk into the Gerdon sand and that the well would yield at least 25 barrels. These rumors were described as exaggerated by experienced men who were at the well.

Auditor's Notice.

In re, estate of Marie J. L. Quarmeaux, alias Marie J. Loriaux, deceased, No. 60, November Term, 1915 A. A.

Having been appointed Auditor in the above estate to ascertain the unpaid creditors, if any, determine the amount due to same, and make distribution of the balance remaining in the Accountant's hands for that purpose among those entitled thereto, notice is hereby given that I will attend to the duties of my said appointment at the office of Guy Moffitt, Esq., Room No. 210 Might Building, on Fifth Street, Charleroi, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, January 8th,, 1916, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., when and where all persons interested may appear and be heard.

Homer T. Gaut,
Auditor.

Quick, Doc, the Hypo!

Let's take the baby out today,
Put on his clothes and don't say nay.
The sky is bright, the day is fair,
The son and heir needs sun and air.

Any Other Nominations?

Dear Luke—For chaplain of the club I nominate Rev. N. O. Sweat of Franklin, O.—M. W.

Dear Luke—How about Rev. A. Golden Work of Detroit, Mich., as chaplain of the club?—F. E. B.

Easy.

In reading rimes like this be sage
And see that you are not misled;
You do not have to turn this page,
Read it while standing on your head.

Some Dropper.

"Young Millionbux is quite a spendthrift, isn't he?" remarked Smith.

"Should say he was," replied Jones. "Why, he drops his V's and X's as liberally as a cockney drops his H's."

Advice.

With your lot do the best you can,
Try to be satisfied:
You won't get indigestion, man,
From swallowing your pride.

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NIGHT'S BEAUTY IS HIDDEN

Few Artists Have Been Given the Ability to Depict Its Proper Glory and Majesty.

One of the perpetual regrets of painters is the unattainable beauty of night. Whistler's successful Nocturnes are of early twilight.

The later hour, when the world's vast shadow weighs on us, seems unrealizable in paint.

Even Crome, perhaps the greatest master of nightfall pictures, could not go beyond the twilight.

The perfect medium for darkness was discovered by Turner, whose set of engraved Moonlights are among the most precious works that man has made.

There are but about a dozen engraved and printed by the master. They so far transcend his colored drawings, from which they were derived, as to prove that black and white can conjure up the spirit of night more potently than color.

But they are not ordinary mezzotints; they are creative rather than reproductive; no one but Turner could have done them, nor could he have communicated their secret to his engravers.

New Ears for New Music.

Few laymen appreciate to what an extent musical esthetics is a matter of psychology. We ordinarily assume that music "expresses" by some divine charm, that the composer who sighs of love has "discovered" the proper musical statement of love's emotion. But musical materials are not discovered; they are manufactured. It is by habit and repetition, not by intuition, that we come to accept chords of dissonance. The major and minor third of the old music is very sweet because it is very familiar. The new bald colors of futurist music are ugly because they are strange. Our ears contain little formulas, so to speak, for the chords and scales that have been ground into our consciousness by frequent hearings. When we hear a new piece of music it must agree with them to some degree, else we feel uncomfortable. Now, these formulas, though they thrive on variation, hate negation. So if the new music negates them entirely as futurist music does, there is no entente possible. Our ears will not serve our purpose. We must become familiar with the new style.—The New Republic.

Garden Plants in History.

Which is the oldest flower in our gardens? The question was raised over our dahlia blooms, which like the fuchsia, come originally from Mexico. The first plants to appear here were grown at Holland house from seed sent home by Lady Holland from Spain in 1879. In the previous year Sir Joseph Ranks introduced the hydrangea. The fuchsia had then been known among us already for close on a century. A further turning up of authorities discovered that the tulip (from the Levant) was introduced about 1560, about which time, by the way, the horse chestnut reached us from Asia and the lilac from Persia. Some forty years before that had come the damask rose, simultaneously, among the trees, with the larch. The oldest claimant with a recorded date seemed to be the crocus. It arrived from the far East in 1339.—London Chronicle.

Then and Now.

The great amphitheaters of Rome were in reality theater structures, hence their circular or semicircular form. The largest of all the ancient amphitheaters, the Colosseum of Rome, had outside dimensions of 510 by 615 feet, with inside dimensions of 177 by 281 feet, while the great structure at Pompeii is 342 by 444 feet outside and 115 by 218 feet inside. The new amphitheater at Yale university occupies a field of 25 acres, the outside dimensions of the structure being 750 by 950 feet and the playing field within 300 by 500 feet. At Pompeii the seating capacity was 20,000; the Colosseum could seat 50,000 in its four-story tiers, while the Yale structure seats 61,000

LESSER INDIAN DEATH RATE

Statistics Seem to Show That the Race Is Beginning to Build Up Again.

The physical decline and the alarming death rate of the American Indian of today is perhaps the most serious and urgent of the many problems that confront him at the present time.

The death rate is stated by government officials at about thirty per thousand of the population—double the average rate among white Americans. From the same source we learn that about seventy thousand in the United States are suffering from trachoma, a serious and contagious eye disease, and probably thirty thousand have tuberculosis in some form.

The death rate from tuberculosis is almost three times that among the whites.

These are grave facts and cause deep anxiety to the intelligent Indian and to the friends of the race.

Some hold pessimistic views looking to its early extinction; but these are not warranted by the outlook, for, in spite of the conditions named, the last three censuses show a slight but continuous increase in the total number of Indians.

Nor is this increase among mixed-bloods alone; the full-blooded Indians are also increasing in numbers. This indicates that the race has reached and passed the lowest point of its decline, and is beginning slowly but surely to recuperate.

LESSON FOR ALL MANKIND

Might Be Well If Everyone Would Devote a Little Time to Care of His "Hinges."

Once upon a time there lived an old gentleman in a large house. He had servants and everything he wanted, yet he was not happy, and when things did not go as he wished, he was very cross. At last his servants left him. Quite out of temper, he went to a neighbor with a story of his distresses.

"It seems to me," said the neighbor, sagaciously, "'twould be well for you to oil yourself a little."

"To oil myself?"

"Yes, and I will explain. Some time ago one of the doors in my house creaked. Nobody, therefore, liked to go in or out by it. One day I oiled its hinges, and it has been constantly used by everybody ever since."

"Then you think I am like the creaking door," cried the old gentleman. "How do you want me to oil myself?"

"That's an easy matter," said the neighbor. "Go home and engage a servant, and when he does right praise him. If, on the contrary, he does something amiss, do not be cross; oil your voice and words with the oil of love."

The old gentleman went home and no harsh or ugly words were ever heard in the house afterward. Every family should have a bottle of this precious oil; for every family is liable to have a creaking hinge in the shape of a fretful disposition, a cross temper, a harsh tone, or a fault-finding spirit.—The Mediator.

The Lightest Wood.

The lightest wood in existence is the wood of ambach, a leguminous plant that grows near Lake Chad and on the tributaries of the upper Nile. The tree, which is sometimes called the pith tree, often attains a diameter of six inches in the two or three years of its life. At that age it dies and another shoot starts from its roots. When cut, the wood is almost white and is soft and brittle, like the pith of the elder. Some of the wood is exported to the United States and England to make floats for fishing tackle, and in general to be used as a substitute for cork. Ambach wood contains minute crystals of calcium oxalate, which quickly dull the axes and knives of the choppers. On the other hand, the presence of the crystals makes the wood, it is said, an excellent substitute for the usual razor strop.—Scientific American.

Forces to Be Destroyed.

The forces of nature we must endeavor to avoid. Working blindly as they do we can do nothing to overcome them. At most we can avoid their destructive influence and alleviate the suffering they give rise to. But the forces that are thrust out by ourselves, that spring from our own minds, must be controlled and overcome. They are primitive. They are brutal. They are animal forces. Against these we must direct our energies.

NOTED FOR SMALL THINGS

Great Men Not Always Held in Memory on Account of Deeds of Consequence.

It is said that the duke of Wellington once "chaffed" Lord Brougham as a man who at one time bade fair to go down to future ages as a famous advocate of law reform and popular education, but who, after all, would owe his renown in the name of the vehicle which had received his name.

Brougham retorted by saying to the duke that his name, which promised to descend to after-times as the hero of a hundred battles and the liberator of Europe, was to survive as the appellation of a certain kind of boots. The story is a good one, whether true or mythical, and suggests to us some of the strange ways in which men become famous.

One person acquires celebrity by his giant intellect, as Webster or Calhoun; another, by his dwarf stature, as Count Borowalski, or Tom Thumb.

There are great men who are known to fame hardly less by their physical or moral eccentricities than by their intellectual might. Such was the case with Lord Brougham, who was long associated in men's minds with the queer twist of his nose, on which Punch hung so many conceits; and Lord Peterborough, who, walking from the market with a fowl under one arm and a cabbage under the other, quite threw into the shade Lord Peterborough, the hero of Almanza.

The same was the case with the great duke of Marlborough, whose hagglings with the Bath chairmen and acts of petty avarice were talked of long after the conqueror at Blenheim and Malplaquet was forgotten.

Pathetic.

Another pathetic little feature of everyday life is the way a stout woman verging on middle age will read the directions for making the angles trim and shapely, to meet the demands of the short skirt vogue, and laboriously but confidently go through all the prescribed exercises.—Columbus (O.) Journal.

Spoiled His Thoughts.

Little Billie was lying quietly, with eyes wide open, but apparently seeing nothing. After a while his mother asked, "Dreaming, Billie?" "Not dreaming; thinking," replied Billie impatiently, "and when anybody speaks to me it cuts the think right in two and I have to begin all over again.

Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Taken In.

It is quite true he's bold a Scott,
And yet it fairly fills the girls
To think that he should feel put out
When he's taken in.

The Wise Fool.

"All men are born equal," observed the sage.

"Yes," agreed the fool, "and that is the only time in life that they are equal."

Why They're Popular.

Bill has friends
Has 'em and grows;
He never says,
"I told you so!"
—The Cincinnati Enquirer.

Friends of Bill Jones
Will long survive;
Bill never says,
"Let me have five!"
—Zanesville Signal.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie Paw, what is a yarn manufacturer?

Paw—A press agent, my son.

Wuff!

I like a fireman, yes, I do,
I'll always sing his praises,
For he does not get mad when you
Tell him to go to blazes.

We Saw a Red, White and Blue Moon.

Anybody else who saw the aurora borealis last night will confer a great favor by communicating at once with G. A. D.—Ad. in Detroit News.

Poems We Dare You to Read.

WHEN THEM SNIPES SING IN THE SPRING.

(By Ed Lawrence, author of "The Loss of the Lusitania," "The Demon Rum," "Paw Knows Everything," "Wuff!" "Why They're Popular," "Taken In," "The Wise Fool," "We Saw a Red, White and Blue Moon," "Friends of Bill Jones," "We Thought Not," "You Know Him," "Things to Worry About," "Names Is Names," "Our Daily Special," "Luke McLuke Says:" "To Be Continued In Our Next," "Bits of Byplay," "Paw Knows Everything," "Wuff!" "We Saw a Red, White and Blue Moon," "Poems We Dare You to Read," "Why They're Popular," "Friends of Bill Jones

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THE WAR BOOM TOWNS.

Within a year a Virginia cornfield has become City Point, a town of 27,000 people. Bridgeport, Conn., in the same time has added 60,000 to its population. It is the same story in Bethlehem and Penn's Grove and many other centers of the munitions industry. Some of these communities are quite new, with all the problems of boom towns, but they are inseparable from pioneer settlements. The others, according to the Punxsutawney Spirit are in almost the same predicament, because the sudden growth of population has so far outstripped civic facilities.

What will become of these towns when the war ends? Will the brand new settlements disappear like mining villages when the coal or ore has been exhausted? Will the older cities, now swollen to double their normal size, lose their population, or will that population linger to cheapen the labor market and lower the living standard and drag down the community to which they have added a brief prosperity?

Thousands of factories in this and other countries have been turned from peaceful work to the making of war materials by slight re-adjustments of buildings and equipment. It ought to direction. There are probably few be just as easy to change in the other munition factories that could not be turned, without great cost to the manufacture of other products. And this is the time, while the war business continues for the manufacturers to look forward and prepare for an easy transition instead of a collapse at the inevitable end of the war boom.

While many of the states, including Pennsylvania, are bringing out their favorite sons for the Republican nomination for president the next candidate should be selected from the broad standpoint of fitness and availability. The favorite son booms are usually launched for the purpose of corralling the delegates to be used or traded for personal or political advantage and not for the good of the party states an exchange. If for example, there is no candidate in this state who has any chance to be nominated and is not considered available outside of the boundary of this tate. It would be foolish for the Republicans of this state to elect delegates who would only be used as so many men on the checkerboard of political dealing.

"At least Ford has caused nations to think of peace." This is the credit an exchange gives to the famous maker of automobiles and it argues that it is considerable credit. It is a fact that when a spectacular movement like that of Ford's wins the extensive advertising it has won, the nations are going to at least take notice. And get the common herds of Germany, England, France, Russia and the rest of the conglomerate struggling mass talking about peace and the first thing you know there may be an organized movement in that direction, either with or without the consent or the sympathy of the haughty, ruling monarchs.

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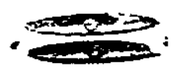
Solid gold Baby Rings 50c and up to $2.00
Bracelets in gold filled, gold shell and solid gold, from 50c to 5.00
Necklaces, gold filled, 75c to. 2.00
Necklaces in solid gold, 1.00 to $10
Necklaces in solid gold with diamonds $4 to 10.00
Lockets, gold filled and solid [illegible]
Bib Holders, 50c, 75c and 1.00



Beauty Pins, gold filled and solid gold front, 25c and up to..... 1.00
Beauty Pins, solid gold, 85c to..... 2.00

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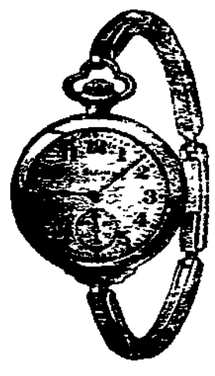
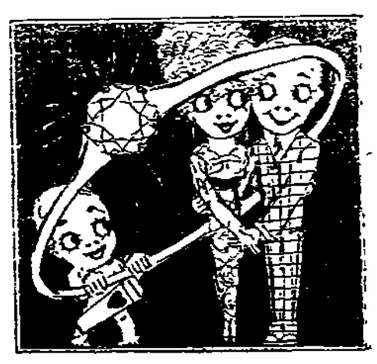
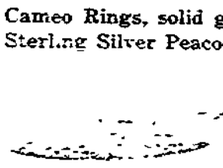


Sterling Silver Watches .....$2.75 up
Gold Filled, 20 year guarantee, Elgin, Waltham, Hampden or Illinois, movements .....$10 up
Ladies 14k Solid Gold Watches, with guaranteed American movements.....$16.00
Big assortment of Watch Bracelets, gold filled Watch bracelets from.....$4.50 up
10 year guarantee gold filled watches ..$6
Fobs, Gold and Silk .....1.00 to $6.00
Chatelaine Pins, solid gold and gold filled .....35c to $10.00
Lorgnette Chains .....$1.75 to $6.00
Lockets, large and small, 20 year guarantee gold filled .....$1.50 up
Lockets, Solid Gold & Diamonds ..$4.50 up
Locket Chains .....85c to $10.00

RINGS



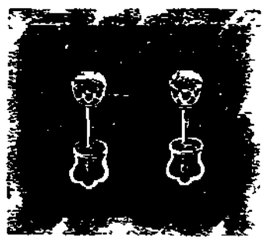
Diamond Rings .....$4.50 to $450.00
Signet Rings, Solid Gold ..$1.50 to $4.75
Signet Rings, Gold Filled ..75c to $1.00
Birth Stone Rings, Solid Gold $1.25 to $3.50
Genuine Reconstructed Sets in Birthday Rings from..$3. to $8
Cameo Rings, solid gold ...$2.75 to $15.00
Sterling Silver Peacock Rings..20c to $1.00



Beauty Pins, solid gold and gold filled 25c to $1.50.

EAR RINGS

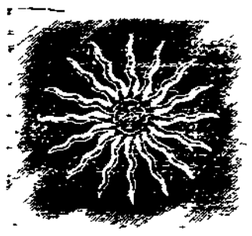
Diamond Ear Rings, $4.75 to $300.00
Ear Rings. Solid Gold ..$1. to$6
White Sapphire Broaches .. ..50c to $2.50
Veil Pins 25c to $1
Rosary Beads with Gold Crosses 75c to $4.50
Crosses, Solid Gold & Gold Filled 50c to $5



Candle Sticks, Gold, Silver and Ivory .....25c to $3.25

BRACELETS

Bracelets, Solid Gold .....$7.50 to $25.00
Bracelets, High Grade Gold Shell and Gold Filled, warranted for 20 years .....$2.25 to $10.00



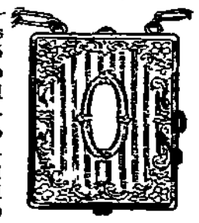
Broaches, Solid Gold .....$1.25 to $10
Broaches, Solid Gold and Diamonds ...$3.95
Broaches, Gold Filled and Gold Top 50c to $2.50
Cameo Broaches, gold filled and solid gold .....$2.50 to $12.00
Cuff links, gold filled and gold top .....50c to $1.75
Cuff links, solid gold .....$1.50 to $5.00
Bar Pins gold filled .....25c to 65c
Bar Pins, solid gold .....$1.75 to $5.00
Jewel Boxes, Gold, Silver and Ivory, ...35c to $7.50
Jewel Boxes, thelatest in Viking silver and Assyrian lined brass jewel cases from .....75c to $10.00
Powder and Puff Boxes .....50c to $2.00
Hair Receiverss, Silver, China and Cut Glass and Ivory .....50c to $2.00
Leather Bags .....$1.00 up
Gold and Pearl Pens .....$1.00 up
Calendars and Ivory and Bronze ..$1.00 up

BAGS

Our Mesh Bags are all made of guaranteed German silver with an immense assortment to pick from.

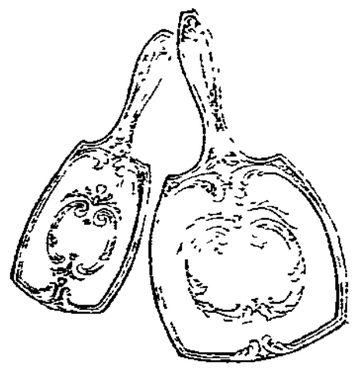
BAGS

6 inch Indestructible Mesh Bags guaranteed unbreakable .....$1.00 to $10.00
Soldered link bags from ....$7.00 to $10.50
Gold Bags, 6 inch, ...$2.85 up to ..6.50
4 inch Mesh Bags kid lined .....$1 to $15
Also big line of Vanities and Coin holders .....25c to $5



Sterling silver $8.50 up
Pin Trays, Silver, gold leaf and Persian Ivory .....35c and up
Fountain Pens, Waterman, Parker and Houston, solid gold .....$1.00 to $10
Picture Frames, Gold, Silver and Ivory .....25c to $2.50

Picture Frames, Sterling silver 50c to $5
Combs and Barrettes .....50c to $10.00
Silver Sewing Set .....$1.50 up
Dresser Sets, Brass, China and Ivory .....$2 up
Perfume Bottles, cut glass and Ivory .....50c up
Scissors .....25c to $2
Single Manicure pieces Sterling silver .....25c to $2.00
Silver Plated Manicure pieces ..20c to 60c
Mother of Pearl Manicure pieces 45c
Ivory Manicure pieces .....25c to 85c



TOILET SETS AND MANICURE SETS

Manicure sets, silver plate from 95c to $5
Manicure sets, Ivory ..... 60c to $7.50
Manicure sets Sterling Silver..$2.50 to $10
Toilet sets, Ebony and Silver Trimmed, Gold and Silver and China Novelty from ..... $1.80 to $2.50
Toilet sets, Silver plate from $4.50 to $15.00
Toilet sets, Sterling Silver from $10.00 to $25.00 in beautiful Velvet Boxes.
Toilet sets and Manicure combined in Parisian Ivory .....$4.50 to $25
Toilet sets and Manicure combined, Silver plate .....$6.50 to $25.00

WATCHES

We carry a full line of Hamilton, Rockford, Hampton, Illinois, Howard Watches and our prices are lower than elsewhere.

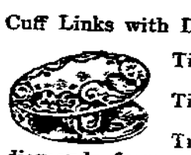
Elgin or Waltham movements 20 year guarantee. Gold filled cases. Special 12 size thin model ..$7.75
Trenton Watches,.. ..... $5, $7, $9, and $10
Deuber Hampton Watches 16 size Waltham Watch, 7 jewel $5.00
16 size, Elgin Watch, 7 jewel $5.50
Solid Gold Watches.... .....$25.00 to 75.00

They beat any watch on the market in price. Absolutely guaranteed.

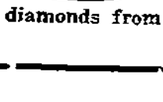
CHAINS, FOBS, ETC.

Waldemar Chains, gold filled .75c to $2.00
Solid Gold Waldemar Chains $4.00 to $25.00
Solid Gold Front Waldemar Chains... .....2.95 to $4.50
Fobs Gold filled guaranteed .$1.50 to $10.00
Fobs Gold Mounted and silk .$1.00 to $7.50
Lapel Chains, gold filled and gold front guaranteed .....75c to $3.00
Lapel Chains Solid Gold ....$4.00 to $10.00
Gold Filled Vest Chains, 20 yr guarantee .....$1.00 to $4.00
Emblem Charms, Gold Filled Guaranteed .....$1.00 to $5.50
Charms, Solid Gold .....$4.50 up

Set Stick Pin, solid gold .....$1.00 to$5
Signet stick pins, solid gold ....$1.50 to $3.75
Solid Gold Top Signet Pins ...$1.00 to $1.75
Signet Stick Pins, Gold Filled ....35c to $1.00
Signet Cuff links, gold filled ....50c to $1.00
Signet Cuff links, solid gold top $1.50 to $2.65
Solid Gold Cuff Links plain or fancy..... .....$2.00 to $7.50
Cuff Link, Stick Pin and Tie Clasps Sets in Gold Front and solid gold tops ....$1.75 to $4.00
Set stick pins, gold filled from ..25c to $1



Cuff Links, Stick Pin and Tie Clasp Sets in Solid Gold from .....$3.50 to $8.50
Cuff Links with Diamonds .$2.95 to $25.00



Tie Clasps, gold filled, plain and fancy 25 to 75c
Tie Clasp, gold top, gold front .....$1 to $1.85
Tie Clasps, solid gold and diamonds from .....$1.25 to $10.00

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FOR BABIES AND CHILDREN

Neck Chains, gold filled and solid gold..... 50c to 3.00

Toilet Sets, sterling silver 1.00 to.....4.50

Toilet Sets, novelty style, 95c to.....1.75

Toilet Sets, French Ivory, 1.00 to.....4.00

German Silver Coin Holders 10c to.....1.00

German Silver Mesh Bags 50c to.....2.50

3 piece Child's Set of knife, fork and spoon, silver plate 50c to.....3.00

Sterling silver knife, fork and spoon set .....1.35 to 5.00

Silver Rattles, sterling. 50c to.....2.50 each

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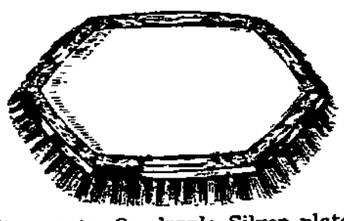

Military sets, Quadruple Silver plate from .....$3.75 up

Military sets, Sterling Silver, 3 pieces in beautiful boxes .....$8 up

3 piece Toilet sets, Sterling silver from .....$10.00 up

3 piece toilet sets, Quadruple silver .....3.75 to $10.50

Pipe and Tie Racks in Silver and Ivory .....75c to $1.75

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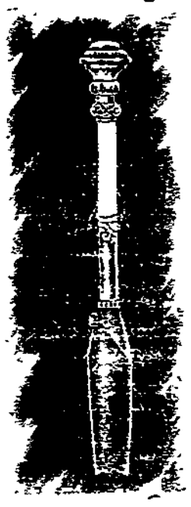


Umbrellas, gold and sterling silver handles .$1.50 to $12

Flash lights ....35c up

Book Racks, gold leaf brass and copper .....$1.50 up

Collar Button cases, silver and gold .....35c to $2.00

Cigar Lighters from .....25c up

Ivory Cabinet Clock .....75c up

Match Boxes, silver and gold filled with Emblems .....50c to $1.00

Match Boxes, Sterling Silver ..$1.50 to $5

Cigarette Cases in German Silver and Gun Metal from .....50c to $3.00

Cigarette Cases, Sterling Silver $7 to $12

Amber Cigar holders with gold band

CLOTHES AND HAT BRUSHES

Clothes Brush, genuine Ebony, Ivory and Genuine Leathers, ...$1.50 to ..6.50

Cloth Brush silver plate .....$1.35 up

Flasks in Leather Case .....95c up

Hat Brushes, silver plate and Ivory .....75c to $2.00

Ivory dressing combs .....35c up

CUT GLASS

WE HANDLE THE LIBBEY ALLEN CRYSTAL, KEYSTONE CUT GLASS

Cut Glass Salt Dips .....10c up

Cut Glass Nappies with or without handles .....85c up

Sugar & Creams, from $2.25 to $10.00

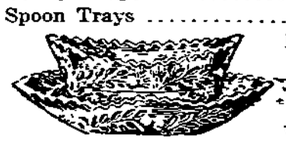
Fruit Bowels .....$2.50 to $20

Vinegar Cruets $1.25 up

Tooth Pick Holders .....25c up

Celery Trays .....$1.75 to $7.00

Spoon Trays .....$1.25 to $5.00



Mustard Pots.. ..... 50c up

Water Sets ... ..$4.25 to $25

Wine Sets.$5 up

Salt and Pepper Shakers, Cut Glass with Silver Tops .....50c to $2.00

Comports .....75c to $10

Vases .....50c to $10

Tumblers per half dozen .....$2.50 up

Cut Glass Perfume Bottles ....50c to $5.00

HAND PAINTED CHINAWARE

SEE OUR COMPLETE LINE OF LIMOGES, FRENCH CHINA, HAND PAINTED AND COIN GOLD TRIMMED.

Single Cups and Saucers .....50 up

Painted Plates .....35c to $2.00

Spoon Trays .....45c to $2.50

Sugar and Creams .....$2.25 to $6.50

Chop Dishes .....$1.75 to $5.00

Bread Plates ... .$1.00 to $3.50

Salad Bowls .....85c to $7.50

Bon Bon Dishes .....50c to $3.50

Olive Sets .....$1.50 to $5.00

Hat Pin Holders.....50c to $1.50

Salt and Pepper Shakers pair 50c to $2.85

Comb and Brush Trays .. ..$1.50 to $2.50

Almond Dishes .....25c up

Syrup Pitchers .....$1.00 up

Chocolate Sets .....$3.00 to $18.00

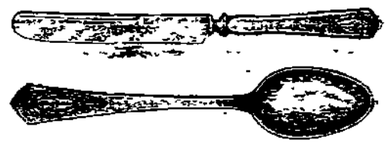
Dresser Sets .....$2.50 to $10.00

Celery Trays .....$1.00 to $5.00

Tea Cups & Saucers, half doz $3 to $8.00

Handsome Electric Lamps

We have a beautiful line of initial dinner ware in gold band.



We are showing a big line of Yourex Silver Plated Tableware. The tableware with the unlimited Guarantee. The only silver plated tableware in which the blade of the knife can be sharpened without showing black. Picture of the new pattern shown here.

COMMUNITY SILVER AND ROGERS 1847 TABLEWARE

50 and 25 Year Guarantee.

26 piece Wm. Rogers table set in solid Oak Chests with drawer .....$6.90 per set

1847 Rogers Bros, 26 piece table set $11 set Any pattern they make

1847 RogersBros. 26 piece table set, hollow handle knives in Old Colony, Continental and theother patterns they make $15 set

1847 Rogers Bros Tea Spoons, all patterns $1.75

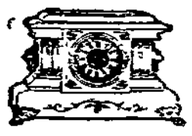
1847 Rogers Bros. Knives and forks .....$4.00 a set and up

26 piece Table Set, Community Silver 50 year guarantee with Solid Mahogany Chest with drawer. Sterling Silver plate for monogram, special .....

26 piece Table Set. Community Silver 25 year guarantee. mahogany chest..$12 set

Also a full line of Community Silver 1847 Rogers Bros., odd pieces such as Beef Forks, Cold Meat Forks, Lettuce Forks. Pickle Forks, Pie Forks, Oyster Forks, Sandwich Forks, Cake Forks, Pie Knife. Salad Forks, Ice Cream Spoon,Berry Spoon, Preserve Spoons, Cream Ladle, Oyster Ladle, Gravy Ladle, Olive Spoon, Cheese Server, Sugar Shell, Butter Knife, Cucumber Server, Potato Server, Carving Set, Fruit Knives, Etc.

CLOCKS



Gold and Brass Clocks .....$1.00 to $5.00

Ivory Clocks ....75c to $3.50

Clocks ....$3.50 up

Eight Day Mantel Solid Mahogany, best make Seth Thomas $5.00

Kitchen Clocks .....$2.00 up

ROGERS SILVERWARE

Tea Sets, 4pieces .....$5.75 to $25.00

Chocolate Sets .....$7.50 to $25.00

Coffee Sets .....$7.50 to $25.00

Bread Plates .....$1.25 to $8.50

Silver Trays .....$1.50 to $15.00

Combination Sandwich and Olive Diches .....$4.00 up

Fancy Bon Bon Baskets .....$2.35 up

Crumb Tray Sets .....$1.75 up

Baking Dishes .....$2.00 up

Lump Sugar Holders .....$1.45 to $3.00

Rogers Silver Fruit Dishes.. .....$2.50 up

Vases ..50c to $5

Picture Frames .....25c up

Mirrors in Gold Silver and Ivory ...50c up

Fern Dishes .....$2.00 up

Candle Sticks, Gold Brass and copper 35c up

Gold Leaf Crucifix .....50c up

Syrup Jugs .....$1.25 up

Butter Dishes .....$2.50 up

Mayonaise Dishes .....$2.25 up

Casseroles, with Silver Covers ..... $1.75 to $10.00

Nut Bowls .....$4.00 to $10.00

Fruit Bowls .....$3.50 to $10

Cake Baskets .....$2.00 to $10.00

Olive Sets .....$2.75 to $5.00

See our complete line of F. B. Rogers Crown Brand stamped on each article. Every article guaranteed to "wear" or your money refunded.

STERLING SILVER

Single Sterling Silver Souvenir Spoons .....75c to $2.50

Sterling Silver Bon Bon Spoon gilt bowl $1.25

Sterling Silver Cream Ladles, gilt bowl .....$1.75 each

Sterling Silver Sugar Spoons, gilt bowl .....$1.75 each

Sterling Silver Salt Spoons, 1-2 doz in a box .....$1.20 box and up

Sterling Silver Ice Cream Spoons, Oyster Forks, Potato Servers, Salad Forks.

Sterling Silver Carving sets $5.90

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COAL IS RUN FOR FIRST TIME AT NEW COON ISLAND SHAFT

Owen Murphy of Latrobe Makes Incision Into Earth With Fruitful Results.

Coal has been reached at Coon Island where the past year and a half Owen Murphy, coal operator of Latrobe has had a force of men at work constantly with the exception of last winter.

The vein was reached Friday afternoon and the first coal was hoisted to the top during that night. Saturday afternoon more than a car and a half of the mineral had been brought out.

"I am very well pleased," said Mr. Murphy. "The coal is of a good quality for we tested it in our own boilers."

The coal was reached at a depth of about 410 feet and the vein will be about six feet in thickness, according to men who have been working the shaft. They have not pierced it entirely but will likely get through some time today. Some coal may be put on the market within a month.

Traveling cases $1.25 to $10.00. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE CONTRIBUTION AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH IS $256

The Christ Lutheran Sunday school rendered the Christmas service, "Christmas Praise" Sunday night before a large and appreciative audience. A large and beautifully trimmed and illuminated tree was the principal decoration. An impressive feature was the children's offering. The primary department marched to the platform and deposited their money, contained in little bags, in a cradle rocked by two small children, while the juniors hung their offerings on a little tree. The total contribution to the church and Sunday school treasuries was $256.

COUPLE HIE TO MARYLAND WHERE THEY ARE MARRIED

Surprising their friends and stealing a march on them, Miss Flora Bell Gillmore of North Charleroi and Raymond Small of Charleroi quietly stole away to Cumberland, Md., Saturday afternoon to be married by Rev. York, pastor of a Cumberland Methodist Episcopal church. The young couple are well known in Charleroi and North Charleroi. For the present they will live in Charleroi.

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155t6

Complete line of Bath robes. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

National Erector Contest ends Jan. 1, 1916 Now Boys! Hurry! Berrymans. 159-tf

MUSICAL AUXILIARY PARTY TO BE HELD ON DEC. 28

Invitations for Holiday Event Issued By Executive Committee of Organization.

Invitations have been issued by the executive committee of the Musical Auxiliary for the Holiday party of the Auxiliary to be held on Tuesday evening, December 28 at the high school gymnasium. The officers comprising the executive committee are: Director, Miss Bertha Haines; president, Miss Della Jacobs; vice president, Miss Bethel Bowman; secretary, Miss Marguerite Whitlatch; treasurer, Miss May Barth.

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155t6

Large line of men's shirts $1.00 to $5. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE NEW YEAR'S PROGRAM

The Baptist Young People's Union is arranging for the annual watch night service which will be held on New Year's eve. Various committees have been appointed by the president of the society, with Rev. W. G. Carl pastor of the church generally supervising the program.

PRICES DOWN ON FURS

A Large Express Shipment Just Received. Bought the Entire Stock of a Fur Manufacturer consisting of 545 pieces.

SETS, SCARFS and MUFFS now on Sale

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Knocks.

Both jokes and humans have one thing
In common, we are sure:
And we spend much time wondering
Why most of them are poor.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Perhaps in dollars jokers are
Not rich," says Mr. Boomer.
"Yet jokesmiths all, ere they make good,
Must have a cents of humor."
—Allentown Democrat.

The jokesmiths writes and sells a joke,
And then, such is the humor,
His better half grabs all he gets—
She has the cents of humor.
—Houston Post.

Mean Brute!

"Is your wife even tempered?" asked Mr. Naybor.

"She is," replied Mr. Gabb. "She stays mad all the time."

You Know Him.

His weekly wage no pleasure brings,
His life is filled with sorrow;
He goes in debt today for things
He can't pay for tomorrow.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, what is a moral awakening?

Paw—A moral awakening is when you hear the alarm clock in the morning and get up without cussing it, my son.

Advice.

The thrifty army you should join.
Resist all pleasure's cravings.
And then some friend who needs the coin
Will borrow all your savings.

Wuff!

"This bread is kind of heavy," remarked Mr. Younghubby as he gingerly handled Mrs. Younghubby's first homemade loaf.

"Yes," replied Mrs. Younghubby, "but it won't give you indigestion, dear. I put two dyspepsia tablets in the dough before I baked it."

A Benefactor.

Take off your hats
To Adam Tipe.
For he invented
The first pipe.

Is He That Wealthy?

Dear Luke—Can John Amrich, the Mobile (Ala.) shoe man, be the Jawn Dee Rockefeller of the Names Is Names club?—R. L. F.

Huh!

"Though married life gets much abuse,
It is no joke," said Sater
"The courtship is the orange juice,
The castor oil comes later."

Who Pried Them Apart?

Edward Dagonet was arrested for beating his wife, from whom he was separated, with a piece of iron.—New Orleans Times-Picayune.

He Evidently Did.

Dear Luke—Willie Getter lives at Sulphur Springs, O., and is the father of nine children.—E. H.

What's the Use of Buying Booze?

"Cwrwgl" is the Welsh for "reel."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Seems to be all right. We tried to pronounce it and it made us.—Houston Post.

She's Entitled to a Rebate.

Miss Regula Fehr has left for California, where she will spend the winter.—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Well, Well!

Dear Luke—No, Heavy Lemon is not flooding the Chautauqua circuit with peace and prohibition. He is in the shoe business at Mansfield, O.—E.

Names Is Names.

May Beabout lives at East Monroe, O.

Things to Worry About.

Rabbits wearing horns have been discovered in a dry county in Texas.

Our Daily Special.

We all like to see the stinger get stung.

Luke McLuke Says:

One reason why a woman knows that a man hasn't any sense is because he imagines that giving a baby things to eat is the way to feed it.

Some men try to butt street cars off the track and other men bring company home to dinner when their wives do not expect anybody. And the result is about the same as far as the men are concerned.

A boy imagines that it must be fine to be a man and not have to explain to your mother why you were out so late. But later on the boy gets married and has to do more explaining to his son's mother than he ever did to his own mother.

After a princess learns that Chopin is "Chopang" and the Cello is "Chellio," she is amazed and shocked at the large number of common ignorant people to be found in this country.

You may not be able to hire or bribe a man to do a fool thing. But you can always get him to do it by daring him to do it.

Virtue is its own reward and honesty is the best policy. But if Ananias had been a truthful citizen he would have been forgotten the day he died.

We all pretend to admire a strong will, but wouldn't you hate to be married to one?

It is a cruel thing to say, but in most big cities Sunday is thirst day.

This Isn't a Bit Nice.

The president was smiling broadly when his automobile stopped at the station entrance and he assisted his finances from the car.—Peoria (Ill.) Star.

Saws Reset.

"There's one thing that's certain,"
Says old Mr. Peck;
"A boil on the stove is
Worth two on the neck."
—The Cincinnati Enquirer.

And here is a peg.
Which we somewhere have seen:
"A crack in an egg
Is worth two on your bean."
—Houston Post.

Gobs of Gloom!

Oliver Mourning has been awarded the contract to build a new casket factory at Wichita, Kan.

Majesty of the Law.

The difficult part of legislation is inserting the majesty in the proper proportion. Almost any old legislator can pass laws, but when they try to make them majestic, nine out of ten legislators, perhaps more, fail utterly. It is not the law itself that inspires people with respect, and makes them tremble and genuflect and kowtow; it is the majesty of the law. Occasionally, however, we will find a law that has too much majesty, so much that all the common sense has been crowded out. This is as bad as not enough. There are many laws on our statute books, but only a very few of them are properly majesticated. Hence the confusion and other annoyances that make contempt of court so common these days.—Life.

Scientific Accuracy.

A certain professor in a New England scientific school put this question upon the board in an examination of his class:

"What steps would you take to obtain the height of a great modern skyscraper by use of an aneroid barometer?"

One student answered:

"To obtain the most accurate results from the use of this instrument in the circumstances, I would tie the aneroid barometer to a string, lower it from the roof and then measure the string."

Solves Secret of Ages.

A New York man advertised the other day for red-haired girls, and a woman writer asked him why he preferred girls with red hair. "Surely they are not prettier," she ventured to remark, "and the ages have not proved them better or brighter. In fact, they are noted for their tempers." "Well, it's this way," explained the employer. "There are so many brunettes and blondes, and when you have a red-haired girl in your office you feel as though you had a girl who is just a little different from the common run. Something exclusive." But are they different?" asked the woman. "No," said the man. "But you always feel they are going to be." So the secret of the ages is solved.

Swatting the Fly in Korea.

The Japanese administration in Korea has been making strenuous endeavors to stamp out the housefly and its attendant ills, according to an official report received here. The American slogan of "Swat the Fly" was not considered sufficiently forcible to stimulate the oriental imagination, so the administration hit upon the idea of buying flies from the populace, using the slogan, "Sell the Fly." The official report, which is headlined "Purchase of Flies from Natives by Government Officials," does not state the price paid, or the result of the crusade

Chesterfield Outdone.

"Wonderful!" said Dubbson, enthusiastically, as he gazed at the new Garraway baby.

"Do you wonder I am proud of him?" said Mrs. Garraway.

"No, madam, I do not," said Dubbson. "Indeed, I realize more than ever now the truth of the old saying that a woman's crowning glory is her heir."
—Judge.

Children Who Are Afraid at Night

Writing of "Night Terrors," so common among children, Dr. Adolph Stern says in the New York Medical Journal that these have a deeper cause than those given in the text boks, which are: Adenoids and enlarged tonsils, large or indigestible meals eaten shortly before going to bed, and the telling of harrowing or terrifying stories—like ghost stories.

According to Doctor Stern, children who sit up screaming "Mother, mother!" "The black man!" "The ghost!" or even those who constantly cry for a drink of water, are generally the offspring of neurotic mothers who have themselves been made neurotic by receiving too much attention, too much emotional affection, by being kept too dependent, not leaning on themselves but on others.

The cure for such children is to make them play with other children, to let them do things for themselves, such as dressing and bathing themselves and going to bed alone. Thus they will acquire a spirit of independence.

Daylight Saving in Canada.

Considerable attention is being given throughout Canada to a so-called daylight-saving scheme. The movement in Halifax is in accord with an effort all over the dominion to have the clock put back one hour on April 1 each year, continuing to some autumn month, in order to give more daylight for work and pleasure. Meetings are being held all over Canada with a view to bringing the matter to the attention of the federal parliament at its next session. The Halifax committee is composed of representatives of the city council, trades and labor council and wholesale and retail merchants.—Commerce Reports.

Disastrous Famines.

The worst famines of modern times were the famine in Ireland in 1846-7, in which 1,000,000 people perished; the Indian famine in 1866, which claimed 1,450,000 victims; the Indian famine in 1877, in which 500,000 people perished, and the great famine in China in 1878, in which 9,500,000 perished.

Mysterious Zones of Silence.

A meteorologist of Zurish, Dr. A. de Quervan, directs attention to a new theory which he calls a zone of silence. He says that strong noises like explosions or the sound of cannons, while heard in a normal way in their immediate neighborhood, are not heard in a distant zone even when most intense.

It is now known as a historical fact that Frederick the Great on August 17, 1760, won the battle of Liegnitz because the Austrian generals Daun and Lasen asserted that they had not heard the sound of cannons. It was supposed at that time that the statement of the Austrian commanders was an untruth, but it is now believed that a zone of silence existed. Similar phenomena have been observed recently. In 1908, when the Jungfrau railroad was being built in Switzerland, a fearful detonation took place, caused by the explosion of 25,000 kilograms of dynamite. The noise was heard at a distance of 30 kilometers, but not at 140 kilometers. Strange to say, however, the noise was heard 50 kilometers from the last named zone.

The world has a kind of sneaking admiration for the man who goes wrong and takes his medicine in a manly way. But it always wants to take a swift kick at the mutt who whines that he was "led into temptation."

The old fashioned girl who used to iron herself a clean waist before she went to church on Sunday now has a daughter who can't go to church because the dry cleaner didn't bring back her waist on Saturday.

The divorce records prove that love at first sight isn't always love by a darn sight.

Don't squeal. Just look around you and you will see some poor devil whose lot in life makes yours look like a morris chair on Easy street.

Why is it that the bright kid the proud father is always telling you about always has an off day when you meet it?

What has become of the old fashioned young folks who used to go to singing school at night?

If they ever invent an automobile that will run on hot air there are a whole lot of speed bugs in this country who will never have to purchase any fuel.

Men are grand promisers. Lots of women who have been married for fifteen years are still waiting for the pianos they were to get as soon as the honeymoon was ended.

Almost as Big as the U-9.

Dear Luke—Do you know that Everett Proudfoot of Cincinnati wears size 11½ in shoes?—G. S. W. D.

Names Is Names.

Iduma Best lives at Louisville, Ky.

Things to Worry About.

Electricity can travel around the world eight times in sixty seconds.

Our Daily Special.

We spend half our time trying to save it and the other half trying to kill it.

Luke McLuke Says:

Mother can't understand a word father is saying when father tries to talk when he has food in his mouth, but if the baby happens to make a noise like "Bobbdewuggnagluggs" mother knows that the little darling is saying, "Oh, look at the pretty baby!"

What has become of the old fashioned grocery man who used to sell five cent cigars and ten cent cigars out of the same box?

If you could have a man arrested for stealing your time there would be a whole lot of jails in this country.

The trouble about being a liar is that you can't always remember just what you said yesterday.

There is a law against bigamy in this country. That is one reason why a girl can't marry a lover and a provider at the same time.

A man may cheerfully forgive his enemies. But he simply can't keep from knocking them.

Some men are poor because they spend too much time sitting around and figuring what they would do with Rockefeller's money if they had it.

Any woman can marry a man, but not all of them can make the man stay put.

After a boy gets old enough to have to shave regularly he begins to wonder why he was in such a big hurry to grow up.

Some Men.

A care free man is William Torr
He laughs at all his ills;
He makes light of his troubles for
He always burns his bills.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

And most polite is Rudolph Lett,
The same we noticed when
We called to have him pay a debt
He said, "Please call again."
—Allentown Democrat.

A care free man is William Speer,
He also laughs at ills;
He lets his wife and children dear
Take all the dope and pills.
—Houston Post.

A sprightly man is Alex Snap;
Old, but athletic still,
For when he boards around, you see,
He always jumps his bill.
—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Huh!

"The drama is only in its infancy in this country," remarked the old fogy.

"I had an idea that it was in its second childhood," replied the grouch.

Advice.

To this advice, my son, give ear,
And you will seldom grieve:
Do not believe all that you hear
Or say all you believe.

Effeminate.

"Smith is an effeminate cuss, isn't he?" said Jones.

"Yes," replied Brown. "He always wants the last word."

Sew-sew.

He's getting better, is old Bland,
His illness soon will end;
He says he's feeling so-so, and
He must be on the mend.

Looked Like the Original.

"The first silk hat was manufactured just a hundred years ago," said Gabe as he looked up from the paper he was reading.

"Uh, huh," agreed Steve; "I saw a fellow wearing it the other day."

You Know Him.

He surely is a spendthrift mutt;
He always wants to buy;
He isn't a magician, but
He can make money fly.

Giddap!

Dear Luke—Did you know that Moon & Son run the Star Laundry dairy in Oshkosh, Wis.?—R. H.

Correct.

The world would feel good and we'd grin
The grin that spreads and spreads
If soft spots were as common in
Our hearts as in our heads.

No We Ain't!

Dear Luke—Bet you're skeered to let the six Wild brothers into the club. They run the Wild meat market in Van Wert, O.—Mrs. C. M. D.

That's Queer!

Dear Luke—Vera Strange lives at Glasgow, Ky.—E. M. L.

The Editor Gets Skarkastick.

A lady in Idaho recently sent to an editor a poem bearing the title "Will You Miss Me, Darling?" The editor returned it to the authoress with the following words written under the title: "If she does he should never be trusted with firearms again."—Sutherlin (Ore.) Sun.

We'll Collar Him.

Dear Luke—Can A. Cuff of the Bank Street laundry get into the club?—J. K.

A NEW LINE OF STOCK JUST RECEIVED

A PRACTICAL GIFT

There is no Christmas gift that is so well liked or cherished by the recipient as a diamond. A diamond for Christmas expresses friendship and love more so than any other gift that you might select. Before you buy elsewhere don't fail to see our stock, with the

Price and Quality Right

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Among the new Christmas stock that we have just received you will find many fine Christmas gifts including Baby Sets, Ebony Traveling Sets, Sterling Silver Dorine Cases, Waldamar Chains and Knives, New Perusian Ivory Sets, Bulldog Gillete Razors, Community Silver Sets, Rosary Beads, Leather Purses, Reconstructed Ruby Rings. A fine selection of Cameo Brooches and Diamond LaValliers, Moose Charms, Diamond Elk Buttons, Fountain Pens and Emblem Rings.

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Trustee's Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of the power and authority vested in the undersigned at Trustee in Bankruptcy of William L. Campbell and Joseph E. Baldwin, individually and trading as Leslie Campbell Company, bankrupts at number 6691 in bankruptcy, and by virtue of an order of theDistrict Court of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania, said order being dated August 17, 1915 the undersigned Trustee will offer at Public Sale on the premises at West Columbia, Washington County, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, December 29, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., the first two described tracts of land discharged of all liens, and at Webster, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, December 29, 1915, at 1 o'clock p. m., the third described tract of land, discharged of all liens, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter named, the following described parcels of land:

First—All that certain piece or parcel of ground situated in the Village of West Columbia, Washington County, Penn'a, and more particularly described as follows: Lot No. 182 in the plan of said town bounded as follows: Beginning at the corner of Third Street and Chestnut street; thence along said Chestnut Street 180 feet, more or less, to an Alley, thence along said alley to Lot No. 181 the distance of 60 feet; thence along the line of said Lot No. 181, the distance of 180 feet, more or less to the line of said Third Street; thence along the line of said Third Street 60 feet to the place of beginning.

Second—All that certain lot or parcel of ground situate in the Village of West Columbia, Carroll Township, Washington County, Penn'a., bounded and described as follows: Lot No. 181 in the plan of said town, fronting 60 feet on Third Street and running back of even width 180 feet, more or less, to an alley, and bounded on the side furthest up the Monongahela River by Lot No. 180 and on the side furthest down said river by Lot No. 182 first above described.

Third—All that certain lot of ground situated in the Village of Webster, Westmoreland County, Penna, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: beginning at a post on line of Mechanics Street; thence by land of Samuel Kelly, North 4 1-2 degrees West, 4.85 perches; thence North 85 deg. East 3.25 perches; thence by lot of Samuel Richards to Mechanics Street 4.85 perches; thence along said Mechanics Street to the place of beginning. Containing 15.76 perches. Being the same lots of ground conveyed to Joseph E. Baldwin by deed dated Nov. 13, 1905, recorded in Westmoreland County, Deed Book 404, page 155.

Terms of Sale.

Ten per cent of the purchase price shall be paid when the bid is accepted, the balance of the purchase price upon confirmation and delivery of deed; bidders shall deposit One Hundred Dollars with the Trustee; Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

The sale is made subject to confirmation by the United States District Court.

Kerfoot W. Daly.
Trustee.
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B & B

it's almost here—
Christmas

And those little or big last minute gift thoughts must be taken care of—where—when—at what price—even yet probably to be decided.

A visit to the store, here, where thousands after thousands of good things are beckoning to you from every nook and corner, surely should prove the solution of the problem.

Hosiery,	*Leather Goods,*	*Jewelry,*
Cushions,	*Toilet Articles,*	*Silverware,*
Art Needlework,	*Handkerchiefs,*	*Sporting Goods,*
Stationery,	*Gloves, Furs,*	*Cameras,*
Cutlery, Etc.	*Watches, Etc.*	*Cut Glass, Etc.*

—everything at a price worth investigating.

Boggs & Buhl.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Force of Habit.

"See here," said the owner of the paint store, "you will have to be more careful. We sell our paints by number, and on ten or a dozen occasions you have sold No. 6 paint when you were asked for No. 2 paint. What is the matter with you?"

"It must be force of habit," replied the new clerk. "You see, I was formerly employed in the woman's department of a shoe store."

Food For Thought.

I must have food for thought," said he,
"And I have a great hunch;
I'll go to a free library
And get a nice free lunch."

Ouch!

"Are you fond of music?" asked Miss Oldgirl.

"Not very," replied Mr. Oldbatch, "but I prefer it to popular songs."

He Should Worry.

A cheerful cuss is Ezra Fentz,
He never chews his pills;
He pays a lot of compliments,
But he won't pay his bills.

One Way to Get Subscriptions.

If the young man who was seen Sunday evening kissing his best girl while standing at the front gate will subscribe for the Observer before next press day no further mention will be made of the matter.—Hartford (Ark.) Observer.

A Fruitful Topic.

He brags about his ancestry,
Does pompous Mr. Demmon;
It's plain to me his family tree
Produced at least one lemon.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

His highbrow boast of ancestry
Ran on in such a rut
'Twas plain to see *his* native tree
Had fruited in a nut.
—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Them Is Hard Words.

As a disseminator of disillusionment we back Luke McLuke against the world.—Arkansas Democrat.

Kick In.

'Tis the week before Christmas and all through the land
Friend wife greets friend husband with wide opened hand.

And Pinked on the Pimple.

The American Society of Phrenologists at its recent meeting in Philadelphia prepared for general circulation a list of terms that may be used as synonyms for "hit on the head," thus conferring a great favor on those who are always looking for something new. Here they are:

Drubbed on the dome.
Bammed on the bean.
Tapped on the conk.
Bumped on the beezer.
Biffed on the coco.
Busted on the cranium.
Whiffed on the skull.
Cracked on the nut.
Nailed on the nob.
Slugged in the belfry.
Lammed on the peak.
Dinged on the brain box.

Well, This Ought to Start Something.

Dear Luke—There are only two animals that wear chin whiskers. And you can't blame the poor goat. He can't help himself.—C. W. Chance.

Things to Worry About.

If the sun were a burning lump of coal it would burn out in 6,000 years.

Names Is Names.

B. Z. Bee lives at Fleming, O.

Our Daily Special.

If you don't keep your own secret it won't be kept.

Luke McLuke Says:

When you hear a man sighing for the good old days you can bet that what he means is the good old nights.

The amateur photographer isn't the only man who takes the worst views of everything.

A woman always likes to go out with another woman who can't afford to dress as well as she can.

Better be careful. Some of those battling suffragists are liable to lay for the men who called them "old hens."

The old fashioned boy who wanted to be president now has a son who wants to be a big league ball player.

Every now and then you will meet the kind of a man who blames his lack of education on the fact that the truant officer didn't attend to his duties.

When a man acts like a hog when he eats and sleeps he always attributes it to his clear conscience.

Some people are kept poor because they spend so much money pretending they are not.

A man expects it from other men, but it always jars him when he sees a woman spitting.

There are lots of featherweights in the world who never had boxing gloves on their hands.

You may have noticed that the lad who is always blowing about what he is going to do tomorrow never has a word to say about what he did yesterday.

What has become of the old fashioned woman who was glad when the children caught the measles or whooping cough or diphtheria or scarlet fever because she knew they had to catch them once a time and wouldn't get them [illegible]

BABY'S DANGER PERIOD

ESPECIAL CARE REQUIRED FROM MAY TO OCTOBER.

Thoughtful Mother May Do Much to Protect Infant From Summer Illness—Simple Rules That Must Be Observed.

(Prepared by the Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor.)

From May to October the baby must be guarded with special care, if he is to escape the dangers which lurk about him in the hot days of summer.

It is estimated that of the many thousands of babies who die every summer, principally in July and August, half might have been saved, since summer diarrhea may often be prevented with suitable care.

It is caused, in a large number of cases, by mistakes in the method of feeding, or by using impure milk, or other unsuitable dangerous foods, or by overheating the baby with too much clothing.

The careful and thoughtful mother may do much, therefore, to protect her baby from this illness, by avoiding, as far as possible, its various causes. Throughout this series of articles, mothers have been urged to observe certain simple rules for the health of the baby in summer. These rules require:

1. That the baby shall be fed on proper food in proper quantities at proper intervals.

2. That he shall have no food between meals, but shall have plenty of pure, cool drinking water.

3. That he shall be kept as cool as possible by fresh air, plenty of baths, and very little clothing.

4. That he shall be protected from flies and mosquitoes.

If these rules are faithfully carried out many cases of summer diarrhea will be prevented. If, however, the disease appears, the city mother should at once consult her doctor, or,

A Healthy Summer Baby.

if she has no physician, take her baby to the nearest infant welfare station, where competent physicians will advise her with regard to the care of the baby and trained nurses will assist her in carrying out his directions. It is of great importance to take the disease in its first stages, as a mild form of the disease readily becomes a serious one.

In the country, where it is very difficult to get the advice of a doctor, the mother has a harder problem. Because she is out of the range of infant welfare stations, hospitals, and often of physicians as well, it is most important to prevent every attack of illness possible by careful attention to the baby's food and general care, as already advised in these articles.

If the baby is still at the breast, one or two nursings should be omitted, and only pure, cool water given in its place. Meanwhile the mother's breasts should be pumped at each usual nursing time to prevent their drying up.

Bottle-fed babies are much more likely to be the victims of summer diarrhea. When this happens, the bottle should be omitted for eight, twelve or twenty-four hours, according to the severity of the attack. Do not, however, keep food from the baby longer than twenty-four hours, except on the advice of a physician. When the bottle is resumed, the food should be much weaker than before; at least, half of the milk previously given should be substituted by water. The milk should be skimmed, and sugar should be omitted. The return to the former feeding should be made gradually, adding a little more milk each day, and beginning to add sugar. The more severe the attack has been, the more slowly should changes be made.

If the baby is on "mixed" feeding, that is, partly breast and partly bottle-fed, the bottle feedings should be omitted if diarrhea appears, and the breast given once in four or five hours, with nothing but drinking water between meals.

The Children's Bureau publishes a pamphlet called "Infant Care," which is sent free of charge to anyone sending a request to the Chief of the Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington. This pamphlet contains some simple directions for the care of the babies in summer which may help the mother to prevent summer diarrheas and other ailments of infancy.

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EMBLEM RINGS
DESK CLOCKS
SATCHEL TAGS
KEY RINGS
PIPE RACKS
EMBLEM BUTTONS
TOILET SETS
GOLD LOCKETS

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GOLD LOCKETS
STICK PINS
COAT CHAINS
LINK BUTTONS
JEWEL CASES
MANICURE SETS
SET RINGS
COLLAR PINS

PICKED UP IN PASSING

In the January American Magazine a writer tells of a big tobacco company in New York City that studies human nature in connection with the weather and knows to a penny how much both will affect its sales.

"This cigar company with its one thousand stores has figures that reveal many traits of human nature For example, it knows almost to the penny him much loss of sales will result from a certain velocity of wind.

A rainy day, or a windy day in New York, generally speaking will cost the company about four thousand dollars. The reason is obvious; it is not pleasant to smoke in a high wind. Many men do their smoking while walking along the street—because anti-smoking regulations prevent them from doing so in street cars or in certain buildings. If they are driven into street cars or buildings by wind or rain they do without a smoke."

The adventure of "Sam" Clemens and his comrades would fill several books of the size of "Tom" Sawyer. Many of them are of course forgotten now but those still remembered show that Mark Twain had plenty of real material. It was not easy to get money in those days and the boys were often without it.

Once "'Huck" Blankenship had the skin of a coon he had captured and offered to sell it to raise capital. At Selm's store on Wild Cat Corner the coonskin would bring 10 cents. But this was not enough. The boys thought of a plan to make it bring more. Selm's back window was open and the place where he kept his pelts was pretty handy. Huck went around to the front door and sold the skin for 10 cents to Selms who tossed it back on the pile. Then Huck come back and after waiting a reasonable time, crawled in the open window, got the coon skin and sold it to Selms again. The boys did this several times that afternoon, and the capital of the band grew. But at last John Pierce, Selms' clerk, said:

"Look here, Mr. Selms. there's something wrong about this. That boy has been selling us coonskins all the afternoon." Selms went back to his pile of pelts. There were several sheepskins but only one coonskin—the one he had that moment bought. Selms himself in after years, used to tell this story as a great joke.—St. Nicholas.

MONESSEN BILLIARD TEAM BEATS CHARLEROI

In a three cushion billiard match at the Colonial Billiard parlor the Monessen team defeated the Charleroi team by the score of 50 to 42 in 130 innings. Score:

CHARLEROI
Urben—23
James—19
Total—42

MONESSEN
Lebowitz—27
Gee—23
Total—50

High runs—Urben 2;James 4 Lebowitz 2; Gee 4.

ST. JEROME'S LOSES FIRST GAME OF SEASON

St. Jerome's Lyceum team lost its first game of the season in the Monongahela valley league at Donora on Friday by the score of 24 to 22. Donora played well. D. Oates did splendid foul shooting for Charleroi. Myers also played a good game. Line-up:

St. Jerome's—22.		Donora—24
Girard	F	Weis
Oates	F	McManus
Ludwig	C	Gramley
Messonnier	G	Ambrose
Myers	G	H. Motts

Field goals—Weis 3, Gramley 2, McManus, Allen 2, Oates 2, Girard, Ludwig. Goals from fouls—Weis 8 of 12. Oates 14 of 25. Substitutions—Allen for Weis, Weis for Gramley, Kail for Motts. Referee—Steytler.

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DO YOUR SHOPPING EARLY

Audacity of Woman Spies.

A climax to the audacity of spies is said to have been reached in the case of a woman pretending to be English and giving her name as Miss Booth, who, in connection with another woman calling herself Baroness de Rosen, organized a charitable work at the Gare du Nord, in Paris, which they called "For the Wounded and for the Refugees." The former, suspected of illicit communication with the Germans, passed before a court-martial and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, while the latter, against whom no tangible proof could be produced, was invited to leave French territory within 48 hours.

Lost Art.

They had been sitting around the table at the club all evening as usual talking about the war—always the war. There fell a little silence at last and then Jones spoke. "Is there any person present," said he, "who can tell me what it was we used to talk about before the war?"

BUFFALO HERD IS GROWING

Animals on Government Preserve in Oklahoma Continue to Show Gratifying Increase.

The government's herd of buffalo on the Wichita national forest in Oklahoma, which is also a federal game preserve, has been increased by the arrival of ten calves, according to a report received by the forest service from the supervisor in charge. The herd, which now comprises 62 specimens of the almost extinct bison, is in good condition, says the supervisor, and promises to continue increasing at a rapid rate. Eight of the calves are females, bringing the number of heifers and cows up to 30. The bulls number 32 and have been placed by themselves in a pasture which has just been fenced in for them. Three years ago the buffalo herd in the Wichita forest was little more than half as large as it is now. It is said that the other game animals in the preserve, including the elk and antelope, also are increasing, due to the protection afforded, not only against hunters but against wolves, wildcats and other predatory animals, which committed serious depredations from the establishment of the preserve in 1905 until measures were taken to stop them. In protecting the game from predatory animals, the wardens and forest officers are also promoting the interests of local stockmen, who graze several thousand head of cattle on certain allotted areas within the preserve.

Prince Napoleon.

Prince Victor Jerome Frederic Napoleon, who has obtained permission of the Italian military authorities to go to the front, is the head of the Napoleon family. Ordinarily he lives in Brussels, having been expelled from France many years ago. He is a Parisian, however, by birth, and his sympathies with the allies are further cemented by the fact that his wife is Princess Clementine, daughter of King Leopold of Belgium, and his mother is a princess of the house of Savoy. It needed but the entry of a Napoleon to make the cast complete. —Dundee Advertiser.

Right, as Usual.

"An man can go through life and not have enemies. All he has to do is to say nothing, be nothing and do nothing," says Luke McLuke, the sage of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

And, as usual, Luke is right. A deaf and dumb dead man ought to get along without making any enemies, but he would have to be awful careful about how he acted at that, or somebody would turn against him. The man without an enemy is ready for the embalming fluid and the black trimmings —Wilmington (O.) Journal-Republican.

Who is the Boy that Will Win This Suit?

HELLO, BOYS! Here is another offer for the best model made from an ERECTOR Outfit sold by this store.

WE WILL GIVE ONE OF OUR BEST BOYS' SUITS. It is absolutely free, and your chance is just as good as that of any other boy.

Note particularly that this is our offer, and this suit will go to some boy here, and no one can enter except they purchase their Outfit or Accessory Outfit at this store.

This offer has been made at the suggestion of Mr. Atkins, the manager of our Boys' Clothing Department, who is anxious to have a strictly local contest. You can enter this contest and also the national contest. **Our Contest closes March 1st, 1916. National Contest ends Jan. 1st, 1916.**

ERECTOR Outfits sell at $1.00, $2.00, $3.00, $5.00, $7.50, $10.00. We can procure outfits also at $15.00 and $25.00; also all the needed extra pieces.

We will make other interesting announcements later.

Get your ERECTOR Outfit here and enter both contests.

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Afraid of Death.

"The pomp of death," said the wise Bacon, "frightens us more than death itself." The king of terrors has no terrors that we have not lent him. And yet who would disagree with the sentiment of the unhappy Oscar Wilde? "Death is the only thing that ever terrifies me. I hate it. One can survive everything nowadays except death."

But Wilde did not hate death when it finally came to release his harassed and broken spirit. Reason and common sense bid us neither to hate nor to fear death, but simply to ignore it until the hour comes, and then to accept it just as we accept life. A Roman stoic philosopher was discoursing one day on life and death.

"They are just the same," he said; "there is no difference between them."

"Why don't you die, then, if there is no difference?" one of his disciples asked.

"Because there is no difference," returned the philosopher.—Boston Globe

Feats of Cider Drinking.

Will cider—which was drunk in England even in the days of the Romans—increase in popularity as a result of escaping the new taxation? A century or so ago enormous quantities were consumed, more particularly in the cider districts, where the drink is still popular. In his Cambridge reminiscences Henry Gunning says that in 1788 when he was a tutor in Herefordshire he witnessed some extraordinary feats in cider drinking. Farm laborers were allowed to drink as much as they liked, and it was not unusual "for a man to put his lips to a wooden bottle containing four quarts and not remove them until he had emptied it."—Exchange

Making a Concrete Buoy.

Re-enforced concrete during the last few years has been invading many fields which hitherto have been considered as belonging exclusively to iron and steel. One of the interesting illustrations of this fact is the construction of a concrete buoy at Kingston, Jamaica.

It is stated that the cost is only about 50 per cent of the cost of a similar buoy made of steel.

To prevent the mooring chain from injuring the bottom of the buoy the latter is made concave. The manhole cover was grouted into its place after the buoy was afloat. Leakage is handled by means of a pump-hole.

Eat Skunks in Argentina.

The Gauchos of the Argentine are in the habit of hunting skunks, not merely for their fur, but also for their flesh.

Children in Russia.

Russian peasant women have, on an average, from six to twelve children, of whom about half survive.

Optimistic Thought.

It is folly to sing twice to a deaf man.

Army Nurse's Bravery.

Mlle. Korkeenah, a Russian Sister of Mercy, has been decorated by the Russian government for bravery. She was working in a Russian field hospital in the neighborhood of Soldau, East Prussia. When the Germans attacked the position of the Russian troops Nurse Korkeenah remained all alone in the hospital tending the wounds of private soldiers and officers. Although the hospital was already in the center of the sphere of the enemy's fire, Mlle. Korkeenah boldly came outside, procured a number of horses, harnessed them, found several vehicles, and, with the aid of the slightly wounded men, lifted the patients into the vehicles and drove them away to a place of safety.

And That Spoiled It.

Douglas Fairbanks went to a social affair the other night and an admiring woman cornered him.

"Oh, Mr. Fairbanks," she said, "your acting is wonderful."

"Thank you," he replied.

"It's marvelous how you bring out the different emotions."

"I'm glad you appreciate my work."

"Yes, indeed, you are a great actor."

"You are indeed complimentary."

"And do you know," the woman rattled on, "I have a little five-year-old son at home who acts exactly like you do."

Child Research Work.

Miss Elizabeth Moore of St. Louis, who is a member of the children's bureau department of the government, has returned to Saginaw, Mich., to continue her investigations in regard to the women of the lumber camps and health of the children. Miss Julia Lathrop, head of the children's bureau, ordered Miss Moore to Indianapolis shortly after the holidays to assist in making preparations for a child welfare exhibition to be given in that city. Miss Moore was there ten days before returning to her regular work.

Studies American Methods.

A journey of 40,000 miles, at an expense of $5,000, for the purpose of studying methods of agriculture, will be the record of Professor S. McIntosh, commissioner of irrigation for South Australia, when he has returned to his home. He has passed two weeks in Chicago conferring with other irrigation leaders, and incidentally buying $100,000 worth of machinery.

His Intent.

"See how that dog is licking your hand."

"I suppose he wants to stamp me with his approval."

Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Another Get-rich-quick Scheme.

"That young dentist across the hall has never had a caller since he rented the office," observed the doctor. "But he always seems to have money. I wonder how he does it?"

"He lands all of his patients in pool and billiard parlors," replied the architect. "He makes plenty of money."

"But how does he do it?" asked the doctor.

"Why," replied the architect, "he will bet a boob a dollar that the boob can't get a billiard ball into his mouth. And the boobs always fall for what looks like a cinch. The boob gets the ball into his mouth, all right, and then the dentist charges him $10 to remove it."

Huh!

"Be game, my son," said Mr. Lowe,
"Let not your nose diminish,
And keep your end up even though
The world can see your finish."

Ouch!

"They tell me that you would rather fight than eat," said the bachelor.

"Well, what of it?" demanded the benedict. "I married a cooking school graduate."

Aw, You Make Us Blush!

Oh, here's to you, Luke! Good Lucas McLuke!
May you swat 'em and swat 'em with fun and rebuke
Till every mind's thrilled and every heart's filled
With the genuine horse sense by old Luke distilled.
—Transient Smith, Springfield, O

Some Contrary.

"The grouch is a contrary cuss, isn't he?" remarked the old fogy.

"Should say he was," agreed the wise guy. "Why, he'd refuse to take whisky if the doctor prescribed it!"

Strange!

This paradox is hard to beat,
And it is true, I'll state:
You're certain to make both ends meet
If you will just keep straight.

The Byplay Minstrels.

"Mr. Interlocutor, can you tell me what it is that walks with its head downward?"

"No, Mr. Tambo, I cannot. Will you kindly tell us what it is that walks with its head downward?"

"A nail in the sole of a shoe."

"After the police have cut down the bodies of the end men and the lynchers have been clubbed into submission Mr. Y. Lettim Suffer will render that beautiful ballad, 'Dig the Plants Out of the Bathtub, Dear, and Make Room For the Coal.'"

Fishing.

Whenever I go fishing
The story is the same:
The fishing always was immense
The week before I came.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Whenever I go fishing
I get the same result:
The fish take off so many worms,
I'm sure they must exult.
—Birmingham Age-Herald.

The Very Man.

Dear Luke—The club needs a sergeant-at-arms. Can Roman Solger of Cincinnati defend the portals?—Reader.

Correct.

These are days when, as Luke McLuke remarks, people go to the polls to vote against somebody.—Johnstown (Pa.) Democrat.

Bet She's a Corn Fed.

Dear Luke—I want you to meet Mabel Gaines Weight of New Castle, Ky.—Drummer.

Things to Worry About.

Snakes have no eyelids.

Names Is Names.

Ima Peetzch lives on Orchard avenue, Hamilton, O.

Our Daily Special.

Even an undertaker likes a live town.

Luke McLuke Says:

Every now and then you will meet a suffragette's husband who gives you the impression that his wife does all the voting in that family.

Add up all of the troubles you have had in the past year and then check off the troubles that have been made lighter because you worried over them.

When it comes to wisdom the fool who knows nothing has it all over the fool who knows it all.

A cold makes a man dull and stupid, and there are a lot of fellows who seem to be afflicted with chronic colds.

The world has outgrown a lot of fool notions in the past forty years. And one of them is that a doctor couldn't amount to much unless he wore long whiskers.

Every boy imagines that when he grows up and gets married he will be a lot better to his children than his parents are to him. But, as a rule, he isn't half as good or half as patient a father as was his daddy.

A lot of the men who lead in prayer manage to trail in charity.

All the heroes are not in the trenches. Lots of them are trying to raise big families on small salaries.

When we get through tinkering with other constitutional amendments let us get down to business and have a referendum prohibiting the playing of phonographs between the hours of 6 p. m. and 10 a. m.

Above the Clouds.

A Hungarian officer, describing the fighting on the Tyrolese mountain peaks, a mile above sea level, states that the most difficult problem for the staff is to maintain the supply of food to the troops. On account of the high altitude and the continuous physical strain they need good supplies and plenty of them.

The officer pays a tribute to the work of the Red Cross. "Our wounded have to be carried down in sheets tied to the end of sticks, and it takes a dozen men to carry one down," he remarks.

Scout duty is particularly dangerous, except for skilled Alpinists, and many of these never return. Touching on the remarkable echoes thrown back by the mountain peaks, the officer says:

"The roar of the guns is heard twice, thrice, or perhaps a dozen times, the echo throwing the sounds back and forth, and transforming a single report into a fusillade. Many of our men have been rendered unconscious or even driven mad by the fearful noise of the guns in the rarified atmosphere of these high altitudes."

Choosing the Camp Site.

Certain rules should be used in the selection of a site to be occupied for any length of time. Clay and limestone are undesirable as the surface water stands on them after rains. A gentle slope drains the ground; the liability of storm water from higher ground must not be overlooked. A light loamy or sandy soil is the one of preference; avoid damp low places and ground in which the water is very near the surface. The foot of a hill is liable to remain wet several days after a rain. The tendency is to get too near the river or lake on which a camp is usually pitched; unless the land there is well above the water, it is undesirable. Avoid a site that has just been vacated by a camp that has occupied it for some time. Put kerosene on all stagnant water—it prevents the breeding of mosquitoes; if water is kept standing in fire buckets, it should be changed twice a week or have a thin coating of oil.—Outing.

Minced Lamb.

Mince the lamb not too fine, add salt, pepper, a drop or so of onion juice. Put on the spider with a teaspoonful of butter, teaspoonful flour, milk enough to moisten. Cook only a few minutes. Serve on slices of buttered toast.

Silence Cloth.

Those of us who still cling to tablecloths instead of polished wood have often wondered at the exasperating qualities of the Canton flannel silence cloth. Almost every hot dish placed over it causes it to stick closer than a brother to the polished table and to leave white fuzzy rings on the wood. Instead, make a silence cloth out of cheesecloth or other washable material, with several layers of paper between the two folds. Overcast the edges and knot here and there as in a quilt.—Mother's Magazine.

Why Not Select Your Guest?

"I wish people who haven't minds of their own would come to a realizing sense of the bother that they are to their friends and would develop a little initiative on their own account," said a man who had been entertaining a visitor to dinner. "Maybe it's only a mistaken idea of politeness, but anyhow it's a nuisance to be entertaining a person at the club and have him utterly without ideas as to what he wants to eat and drink. You ask him and he says he'll leave it to you, which is exactly what you don't want him to do. How can you divine his tastes, I'd like to know? What appeals to you, very likely won't to him, and you know and he knows it. But your selections from the menu are always met with the comment, 'That's very nice,' or 'you couldn't suit me better.' And so you go through the meal in a hit-or-miss fashion that certainly gets on the nerves of the host. The next time I run up against that kind of man, I'm just going to sit back and let him do the entire ordering."

Injustice to Children.

One of the tragic injustices of which a great multitude of parents are guilty even in this age, is the bending of children to their will through the power of fear. There is a large class of parents who are positively brutal with their little ones. A child quickly comes to understand reason, if reason is applied. He is keenly receptive to truths, and to right ways of doing things. He deserves to have mysteries explained to him. He is entitled to legitimate reasons when he is told that he must not do certain things. It is unfair to insist that he must not commit some act solely "because papa tells you not to." The child should be taught not to be afraid.—Mother's Magazine.

Noninjurious Coffee.

A treated coffee called "atoxicafe" has been described to the French Therapeutic society as ordinary coffee freed from certain digestion-disturbing products formed during roasting. These products, to be known as cafeotoxin, are volatile, but are only partially volatized in the roasting, and are removed by first exposing the roasted coffee under a vacuum and then submitting to steam at a pressure of several atmospheres. The treated coffee, retaining its caffeine unaltered, is unchanged except in having less of the substance found to be really the source of its chief harmfulness when used to excess.

QUESTIONS

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1. QUESTION—What is the purpose of your Christmas Savings Club?

ANSWER—To prove to you that a little money laid aside each week where you cannot use it for fifty weeks will give you a sum that will not only be welcomed but surprise you next Christmas. It is accomplished easily because you have a definite aim in mind with determination behind it.

2. QUESTION—Does each member deposit the same amount?

ANSWER—No, see the table at the bottom of this advertisement.

3. QUESTION—Is there any membership fee?

ANSWER—No. All it costs is to omit a few trifling indulgencies which you can get along without, and never miss. It costs a little bit of determination to do a sensible act for your own pleasure later.

QUESTIONHow do I become a member?

ANSWER—Come to this Bank, ask to be enrolled, and make the first week's deposit?

5. QUESTION—When and how are the deposits made?

ANSWER—Monday is deposit day, but you can bring your money on any other day of the calendar week before Saturday. You pay in advance for as many weeks as you choose.

QUESTION—Do I get a bank book ora receipt?

ANSWER—With your first deposit we give you an Account Deposit Book which is filled with duplicate receipts; one for us to tear out and retain, the other for you—which remains in the book. This shows continually how much you have deposited. This book you bring, send or mail each time you make a deposit.

QUESTION—Do I have to deposit every time in person?

ANSWER—No. Deposits can be made by yourself in person, sent by a messenger you can trust, or you can mail a check, draft, money order or currency in a registered letter. Be sure to send the Account Deposit Book each time.

8. QUESTION—Suppose I fail tokeep up my payments. Do I get my money back?

ANSWER—Your money is always safe, and will be returned to you at the end of the Club term.

9. QUESTION—When and how can I draw out my money?

ANSWER—Under no circumstances are members allowed to draw out any part of their deposits until the end of the Club term

10. QUESTION—How long is the Club term?

ANSWER—The Club term is fifty weeks from the date of your first receipt in your Account Deposit Book.

11. QUESTION—Suppose my deposit book should be lost, stolen or destroyed?

ANSWER—Your money is always safe in this Bank. We have a complete record of all your payments. We will return your money at the end of the Club term just the same as though you had all your receipts. However you should notify us at once of the loss of your Account Deposit Book so that we may give you a new one.

12. QUESTION—Can I make up back payments?

ANSWER—You may make them up by depositing sufficient money, but you will lose the interest on your savings. Your payments must be made weekly, or in advance, or no interest can be allowed.

The Five Classes of Payments for Christmas Club

Deposit 25 cents for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $12.50.
Deposit 50 cents for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $25.00.
Deposit $1.00 for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $50.00.
Deposit $2.00 for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $100.00.
Deposit $5.00 for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $250.00.

YOU'LL THANK US

We urge you to take up this Christmas Savings plan as it will teach you to be thrifty, to deny yourself of many of thelittle indulgences which you will never miss. It is so easy to follow out, and we do all the work. All you have to do is to determine to do it, and the battle is half over. It is very hard to save money all by yourself and keep it with you in thehouse, but if you put it where you cannot get it for fifty weeks, it teaches you restraint and is a good lesson for future success. One great financier has said—"Watch that man, if he cannot save he will never succeed." You will be mighty glad Christmas night when all the presents have been distributed that you followed our advice.

URGE YOUR FRIENDS

Persuade your friends to go into this savings system, and you will always have their life-long thanks for starting them. Join at once.

BANK of CHARLEROI

Charleroi, Penn'a.

"Contending" Is Good.

Miss Hazel L. Snover, a graduate of the Richmond high school class of 1912 and one of our most popular young ladies, was quietly married to Roy G. Milton of Armada last Friday evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Traver of Pontiac at the pastor's residence in that city in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contending parties.—Richmond Review.

The Printer.

The printer is a sober man:
He never takes a sup.
And yet he is an artisan
Who likes to set 'em up.
—Cincinnati Enquirer

He also is a kindly chap:
The rag he will not chew.
And if you should fall out with him
He will make up with you.
—Macon (Ga.) Telegraph.

Names Is Names.

Miss All Wright lives at Mayfield, Ky.

Things to Worry About.

There are 60,000 blind tigers in Maine

Our Daily Special.

If you want to encourage anything pass laws forbidding it.

Luke McLuke Says:

A western court has ruled that it is illegal to kill an umpire. Us common people are gradually being deprived of our liberties and our pleasures. Some of these days we expect to hear a court sentence a man to jail merely because she killed a friend's husband.

A man can't make his money in Wall street. That may be no sign that he is [illegible]

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See the new submarines that blows up a battleship and then can be put together again. See the mechanical toys that run, jump, whirl and almost talk. See our line of military toys, battlefield camps, &c.

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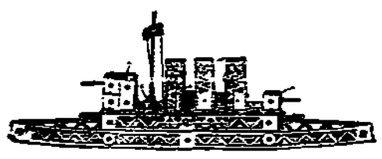
Imported China and Bric-a-Brac. Indian play suits, soldiers and firemen's outfits. shoo-flies and hobbyhorses. Blackboards and slates. Desks and chairs. Tool chests and work benches. Boxing gloves and Umakem Outfits.

TRAINS Wind up trains that go and engines that run and keep running, put up in neat boxes to sell at $1.00, 1,50, 2.00, 2.50.



ERECTOR We have secured for sale in Charleroi the wonderful Erector toy for boys. It is known all over the country as the most useful, interesting and instructive toy for boys ever invented. $3000.00 will be given to the boys as prizes for the best models they can make. It is worth while. See the models in our window that won the first prize last year. This year the first prize is a real automobile. Boys, get busy, that prize must come to Charleroi. Erector sets at $1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 5.00, 7.50 and 10.00.

This whole store is filled with the Christmas Spirit. Splendid stocks of new goods---Shop Early and Get First Choice.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. L. W. Stone entertained at lunch on Saturday Mrs. Elizabeth MacDonald president of the assembly of I. O. O. F and Mrs. Francis Dale, both of Pittsburg.

Arden Calvert a student of Mercersburg academy and Miss Alice Calvert who attends the Pennslyvania college for women at Pittsburg are spending the Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Calvert of Fallowfield avenue.

Mrs. J. G. Albright and daughter Bonita of McKean avenue are visiting with relatives at Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tippins have gone to Cicero, Indiana, where they will visit with relatives.

A. G. Lewis was a business caller in Uniontown Monday.

Miss Helen Meeker has gone to Cleveland, O., where she will spend the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. John Bowers and daughter Miss Jean of Fallowfield avenue spent Monday in Pittsburg.

Edwin Patton has gone to Gallatin, Tenn., to visit over Christmas.

George Hudspith visited with friends at Verona Sunday.

Mrs. G. T. Barger and Mrs. John S. Metz visited with friends at California Sunday.

Miss Norma Bosson a student of the Peabody Conservatory at Baltimore, Md., is visiting with her parentss Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bosson of Seventh street.

John S. Metz spent Sunday in Pittsburg.

Earl Taylor spent Sunday in Pittsburg.

Misses Elizabeth Steinbaugh and Leila Orange visited at Pittsburg Monday.

Miss Patience Smith of Pittsburg visited at the home of Mrs. Priscillla Hudspith of Fifth street over Sunday.

Miss Ruth Majors of Donora visited with friends in Charleroi Sunday.

James Cameron of Ellsworth spent Sunday with friends in Charleroi.

Miss Nelle Mangan of McKeesport visited over Sunday with friends and relatives in Charleroi.

Charles Clement and Joseph Richards visited at Pittsburg Sunday

Mrs. William Brounce of Lincoln avenue visited with her daughter Mrs. Robert Lowe of Donora.

Miss Mary McCreary of Pittsburg visited with Mrs. C .W. Albright of Falloweld avenue Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Deiters and daughter Miss Hazel of Crest avenue spent Saturday in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Albright and daughter Lespith visited with relatives at Monessen Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Berryman of Lincoln avenue went to Vandergrift Sunday to attend the funeral of Van T. Shepler.

Mrs. H. E. Dawson and children of Beallsville are visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Trew of Crest avenue.

Miss Alice Bastian, teacher in high school left Saturday for a two weeks' visit with her parents in Montgomery.

Charles Mead, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Mead of the Methodist Episcopal church and John O. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Martin of Washington avenue are at home from Allegheny college at Meadville to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. J. R. Chalfant, daughter Alvera and son Chads went to Pittsburg Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Walters and son Llewellyn of Cambridge Springs are here to spend the holidays with relatives.

Ladies of the Christian church will hold a sale of fancy work, domestic articles and dolls at Henry Sheets office Tuesday all day and evening. 159-t1

Boys the Erector Prize Contest ends Jan. 1, 1916. Don't fail to get right to work. We made an error in other add. Get Erector Outfit at Berrymans, Charleroi. 159-tf

CHARLEROI AND MONESSEN TEAMS TO PLAY TONIGHT

Hot Game Expected When Rivals Meet—Allie Brown and McDowell Playing With Monessen.

Tonight at 8:15 o'clock the Monessen team of the Valley league and St. Jerome's Lyceum five will line up in what is expected to prove a hot contest at the Lyceum. In the Monessen lineup will be seen Allie Brown and McDowell, among other stars. The local team isworking hard in anticipation of the game. A preliminary game will be played by the Lyceum Juniors and a Fayette City team.

You should worry about that Christmas present. Just refer to Porters ad on page 6 and 7. 159-t1

ADDITION TO WAR'S HORRORS

American Claims to Have Invented a Shell Capable of Scattering Molten Steel.

A new type of projectile which would scatter a white-hot mixture of molten steel over the object of attack and at the same time permeate the atmosphere with a deadly gas, which would make it impossible for fire fighters to approach, has been invented by John Hays Hammond, Jr., according to a statement made by him. This new missile, he says, may soon appear in the European war.

The missile is designed for use in siege guns, as an aid in destroying towns and dirigible balloons. Mr. Hammond explained that the projectile carried an aluminothermic mixture which, five seconds after the projectile was discharged, would turn the steel inside to a white-hot mixture at a temperate of 5,400 degrees Fahrenheit. When the projectile hits the target, the inventor said, it explodes, its white-hot contents setting fire to whatever inflammable material it strikes. To avoid the possibility of quenching the flames, Mr. Hammond said he had equipped the projectile with a chamber filled with hydrocyanic acid, the fumes of which are deadly.

The inventor is a son of the famous engineer, John Hays Hammond. He invented wireless control of submarine torpedoes.

Crazy Autoists.

The recklessness of some automobilists passes belief. The Long Island railroad has been compelled to remove the usual lightly built crossing gates and substitute barriers made of heavy timber as big as telegraph poles. This action has been taken because between July 3 and July 7 there were no less than six cases in which drivers forced their machines through the lighter gates and across the tracks in front of approaching trains. If such fools were killed, it would be small loss. The trouble is that persons so indifferent to their own safety are even more indifferent to the safety of others.—Chicago Evening Post.

They Never Die.

"There are songs," said the musician, "that have never, never died. They go ringing down the ages."

"That is true, sir," Brown replied. "For the last six months and upward I have heard my daughter try to kill two or three each evening, but they never die."—London Opinion.

Kumiss.

This dish is of great value in the sickroom, as it is one form in which milk seldom fails to be retained by the patient. Kumiss made at home in the following way is most satisfactory: Heat one quart of milk to 75 degrees Fahrenheit, add one and one-half tablespoonfuls of sugar and one-fourth of a yeast cake broken in pieces and dissolved in one tablespoonful of lukewarm water. Fill sterilized bottles to within one and one-half inches of the top. Cork and shake. Place bottles, inverted, where they can remain at a temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit for ten hours; then place in icebox for forty-eight hours, shaking occasionally to prevent cream from clogging mouth of bottles.—Woman's Home Companion.

Only four more days to do your shopping for Christmas. Come in and do your shopping and get the Calendar that you registered for. Porters, 502 Falloweld avenue, Charleroi. See double page ad on page 6 and 7. 159-t1

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155tf

Sweaters, Toques, Sweaters, Vests. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

FATHER OF D. C. WHITLATCH DIES IN NEW ENGLAND, W. VA

Local Man With His Family Returns From Deathbed of Parent—J. M. Whitlatch a Brother.

D. C. Whitlatch and family have returned from New England, W. Va., where they were called by the death of Mr. Whitlatch's father, J. C. Whitlatch, whose demise occurred last Wednesday. The sons who survive are D. C. Whitlatch of Charleroi, Kenner Whitlatch of Pittsburg, John Whitlatch of Donora and Virgil Whitlatch at New England, W. Va. J. M. Whitlatch of North Charleroi is a brother.

Why go to Pittsburg to buy? You have a city store in your own town, where price and quality are right. Porters, 502 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi. See double page ad on 6 and 7. 159-t1

Banns Twice Published.

Banns have been twice published at St. Jerome's Catholic church by Rev. W. D. Fries of the approaching wedding of Miss Frances Allsopp to David R. Sullivan. The wedding will take place some time after Christmas.

Give him Gloves—Fownes make. $1.00 to $2.50. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

A Christmas Reduction on all Coats, Suits, Skirts, Dresses and Furs. Plush Coats excepted. At Berryman's. 155t6

Don't fail to read our double page ad on page 6 and 7. We have everything that is listed there and then some. 159-t1

SALVATION ARMY TO DISTRIBUTE TOYS

The Salvation Army is gathering broken toys for distribution after Christmas to needy children. Captain Ives and Mrs. Ives of the Monessen office are in charge of the work and will later look after the distribution. People having toys are invited to leave them at the Monessen headquarters or telephone 432 J, Bell phone, Monessen.

BIG SHOPPING

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ily burdened. Probably the stamp sale will be heavier this month than for any previous month in the history of the postoffice, though no statement to this effect has been made by Postmaster Smith. Active preparations are being made by local people for enoying the best Christmas ever enjoyed.

Suits Pressed 50c. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

Stop! Look!! and Listen!!! Look at our merchandise and prices before you go to Pittsburg or any other large city to buy. Porters 502 Fallowfield avenue. Charleroi. See doublepage ad on 6 and 7. 159-t1

Suits Cleaned $1.00. R. O. Vetter. 159-t5

CLASSIFIED

FOR RENT—Front room suitable for two gentlemen. Inquire 636 Mail. 155-tf

FOR RENT—Two furnished front rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire 636 Mail. 155-tf

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms. Inquire Mrs. Jordan, opposite railroad station, at Lock No. 4. 156t4p

WANTED—Experienced hotel waitress. $6 a week and room and board. None but experienced need apply. Fifth Avenue Hotel, Monessen. 1 56-t6

FOR SALE—Side board, good as new 216 Fallowfield avenue. 157-t3p

LOST---Neckpiece for set of furs between Beallsville and Charleroi-Monessen bridge. Reward if returned to 655 Mail. 157-t3p

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework. Inquire 330 Washington avenue. 157-tf

WANTED—Middle aged man for all around work. Apply Elks club. 159-tf